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Unemployment Rate is Up in September to 4.5 Percent

Minnesota's unemployment rate was up from 4.2 percent in August to 4.5 percent in September. The national rate was 6.4 percent in September, down from 6.5 percent in August. A year ago Minnesota's rate was 4.6 percent while the U. S. rate was 7.2 percent.

Seasonally adjusted, Minnesota's unemployment rate increased from 4.6 percent in August to 4.9 percent in September, the same as a year ago. The seasonally adjusted national rate was 6.7 percent in September, unchanged from August and down from 7.5 percent a year ago.

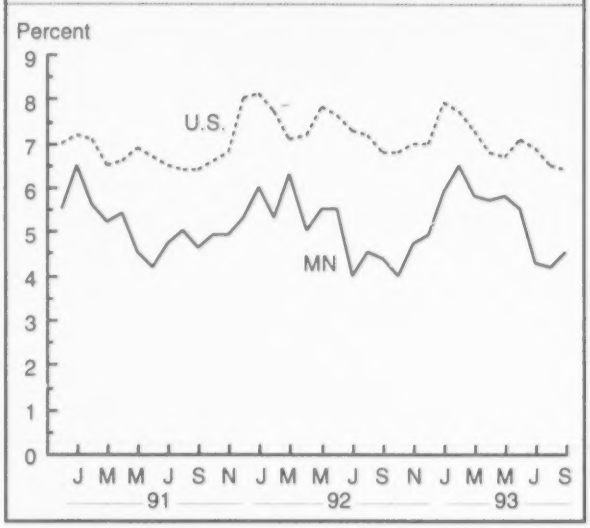
Minnesota's unemployment rate is about the same as last September. While certain areas of the state and particular industries have experienced job losses, the state as a whole continues to outperform the nation in job growth.

The Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan unemployment rate went from 3.8 percent in August to 4.2 percent in September. The northeast region, which had the highest unemployment rate, also had the largest increase in average unemployment rates from August to September, up from 6.3 percent to 7.5 percent. The southwest region has the lowest rate at 3.4 percent.

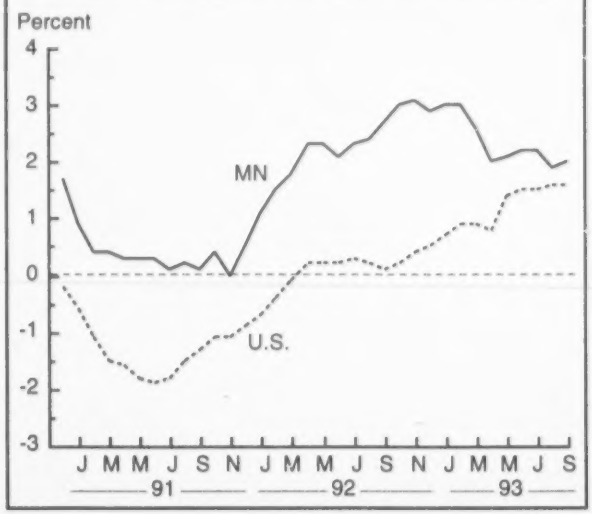
By county, Stevens and Cook counties each had the lowest unemployment rate of 2.3 percent. Itasca County, in what may reflect cutbacks related to the mining labor dispute, had the highest rate at 12.2 percent.

From a separate monthly survey of employers, there was an increase of 21,400 nonagricultural wage and salary jobs in September over August. While greater than the average increase over the past 10 years, much of the increase is attributable to the reopening of schools, colleges, and universities along with the return of school bus drivers to their jobs. Minnesota experienced a 1 percent increase in nonagricultural wage and salary employment compared to a 0.8 percent increase for the U. S. On a seasonally adjusted basis, Minnesota's employment increased by 0.5 percent compared to 0.1 percent for the nation.

Monthly Unemployment Rate: U.S. and MN (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



Total Nonfarm Jobs, U.S. and MN Percent Change From Year Ago

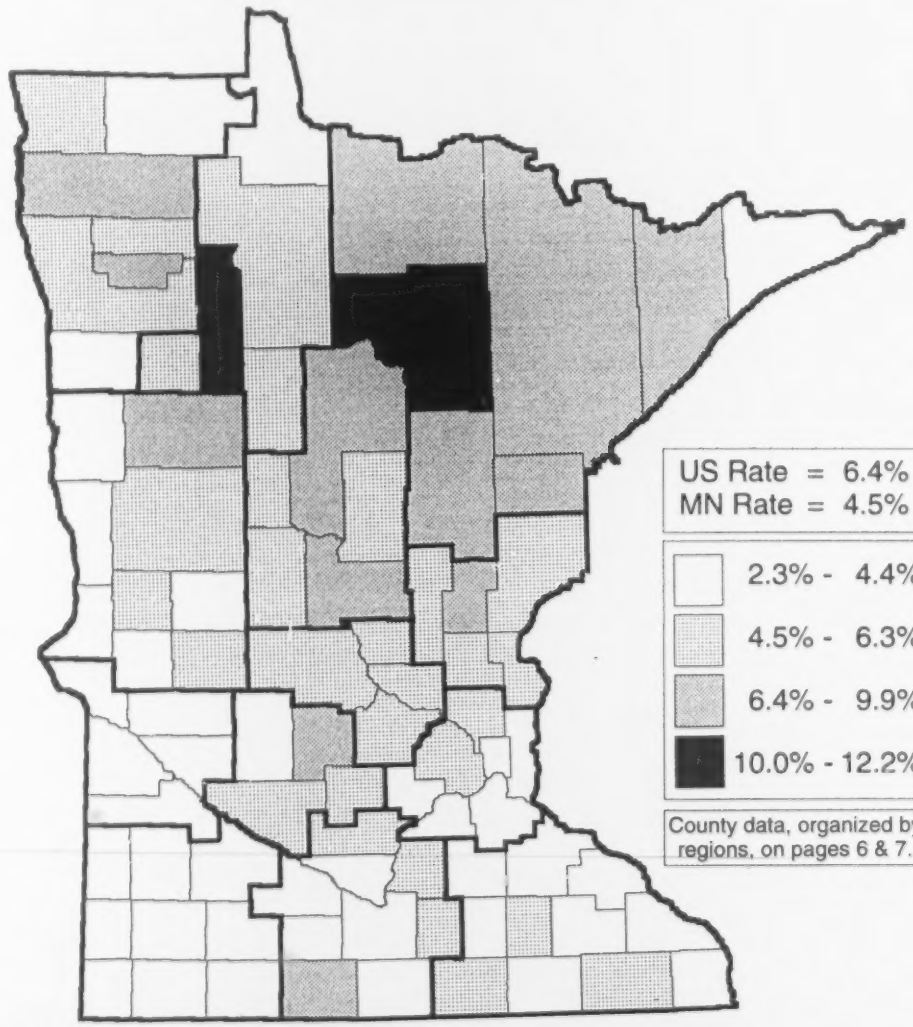


The number of nonagricultural wage and salary jobs in Minnesota was up by 45,000 from a year ago, a 2 percent increase. Nationally, the corresponding increase was 1.6 percent. Over the past year, increases of over 4,000 jobs occurred in business services, health services, and local government in Minnesota. Due to job losses in air transportation, employment in transportation has declined 1.2 percent.

Metropolitan area job growth over the past year was:

St. Cloud	Up 2,600 jobs or 3.1 percent
Minneapolis-St.Paul	Up 22,800 jobs or 1.6 percent
Rochester	Up 400 jobs or 0.6 percent
Duluth-Superior	Down 2,000 jobs or -2 percent

Minnesota Unemployment Rates by County
September 1993
(not seasonally adjusted)



Employer Survey of Minnesota Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Sep 1992
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	2,259.5	2,238.1	2,214.5	1.0	2.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	501.6	502.3	501.5	-0.1	0.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	7.6	7.2	8.3	6.5	-8.0	698.61	713.39	43.8	44.2	15.95	16.14
Metal Mining	5.5	5.0	6.3	10.4	-12.3	711.05	741.31	42.4	42.9	16.77	17.28
Construction	88.6	90.1	87.9	-1.7	0.8	689.40	665.76	38.3	38.0	18.00	17.52
Manufacturing	405.4	405.0	405.3	0.1	0.0	509.21	492.41	41.5	41.0	12.27	12.01
Durable Goods	225.9	225.8	227.0	0.1	-0.5	527.10	501.41	41.8	40.6	12.61	12.35
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	24.0	24.2	23.5	-1.0	1.9	540.57	536.43	39.4	38.9	13.72	13.79
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	8.3	8.5	8.4	-1.5	-0.1	630.33	547.43	47.5	43.9	13.27	12.47
Primary Metals	6.1	6.0	6.0	0.7	0.8	588.27	528.34	44.6	41.7	13.19	12.67
Fabricated Metals	30.6	30.5	32.4	0.4	-5.4	587.85	546.40	42.2	41.3	13.93	13.23
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	73.6	73.1	72.7	0.7	1.2	578.10	557.47	41.5	40.9	13.93	13.63
Computer and Office Equipment	29.9	30.0	30.9	-0.2	-3.0	718.39	668.56	44.1	44.1	16.29	15.16
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	30.5	30.6	30.9	-0.4	-1.4	419.42	395.69	41.2	40.5	10.18	9.77
Transportation Equipment	12.1	11.8	11.5	2.2	4.7	494.16	469.25	42.6	39.4	11.60	11.91
Instruments and Related Products	33.1	33.5	34.5	-1.3	-4.2	471.52	448.11	42.1	40.7	11.20	11.01
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	7.6	7.5	7.0	1.7	8.4	402.80	409.11	40.2	39.0	10.02	10.49
Nondurable Goods	179.4	179.2	178.3	0.1	0.6	488.27	480.24	41.1	41.4	11.88	11.60
Food and Beverage Products	56.3	55.3	56.1	1.7	0.4	429.42	429.23	42.1	43.4	10.20	9.89
Textile Mill Products and Apparel	5.1	5.2	5.0	-1.1	2.6	340.10	310.20	38.3	37.6	8.88	8.25
Paper and Allied Products	33.4	33.6	33.5	-0.7	-0.4	622.86	627.80	42.4	43.0	14.69	14.60
Printing and Publishing	52.7	52.9	52.6	-0.3	0.2	478.64	465.73	38.6	38.3	12.40	12.16
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	12.9	13.0	12.8	-1.3	0.2	698.89	639.64	43.9	42.9	15.92	14.91
Rubber, Plastics and Leather Products	19.0	19.1	18.2	-0.6	4.4	449.70	433.88	41.6	40.1	10.81	10.82
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,757.9	1,735.9	1,713.0	1.3	2.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	109.2	106.2	110.2	2.8	-0.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	74.6	71.5	75.5	4.3	-1.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	28.1	27.9	27.5	0.9	2.3	420.29	428.69	35.8	35.4	11.74	12.11
Communications and Utilities	34.7	34.8	34.8	-0.3	-0.2	687.36	659.71	38.4	38.4	17.90	17.18
Trade	542.1	543.0	537.2	-0.2	0.9	276.84	266.04	29.8	29.3	9.29	9.08
Wholesale Trade	135.4	135.9	132.4	-0.4	2.3	462.00	442.75	37.9	37.3	12.19	11.87
Retail Trade	406.7	407.1	404.8	-0.1	0.5	220.31	213.59	27.3	26.9	8.07	7.94
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	17.2	17.6	18.2	-2.6	-5.5	370.57	351.15	34.6	33.7	10.71	10.42
General Merchandise Stores	56.9	56.2	57.4	1.3	-0.9	225.60	230.46	28.2	28.7	8.00	8.03
Food Stores	55.1	55.4	55.8	-0.5	-1.2	265.72	272.34	29.2	30.6	9.10	8.90
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	44.6	44.5	43.4	0.1	2.8	342.93	319.86	34.5	34.1	9.94	9.38
Apparel and Accessories Stores	19.6	19.6	19.1	0.0	2.2	157.78	149.00	24.5	25.0	6.44	5.96
Furniture, Home Furn., and Equip Stores	15.6	15.6	14.4	-0.1	8.1	332.40	306.56	31.9	32.1	10.42	9.55
Eating and Drinking Places	141.9	142.7	141.7	-0.6	0.2	138.69	128.33	23.0	20.9	6.03	6.14
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	136.8	137.0	130.9	-0.1	4.5						
Finance	61.3	61.3	58.1	0.0	5.5						
Insurance	51.5	51.7	49.8	-0.4	3.5						
Real Estate	24.0	24.0	23.0	-0.1	4.3						
Services	632.3	630.0	604.0	0.4	4.7						
Personal Services	24.5	23.5	24.2	4.5	1.3						
Business Service	119.2	118.3	108.8	0.7	9.6						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	23.6	23.7	23.1	0.0	2.4						
Health Services	185.7	186.2	180.3	-0.3	3.0						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	47.2	47.4	46.5	-0.5	1.5						
Hospitals	56.7	57.2	56.6	-0.8	0.2						
Legal Services	16.1	16.4	16.1	-1.6	-0.2						
Private Educational Services	29.7	25.8	29.1	15.5	2.3						
Government	337.5	319.7	330.7	5.6	2.1						
Federal Government	34.6	34.4	34.1	0.4	1.3						
State Government	77.6	72.6	76.0	6.9	2.1						
State Government Education	40.1	34.8	38.6	15.3	4.0						
Local Government	225.4	212.6	220.5	6.0	2.2						
Local Government Education	112.7	96.5	109.7	16.8	2.7						

Note: Not all industry sub-groups are shown for every major industry category.

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Employer Survey of Twin Cities Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Sep 1992
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	1,433.8	1,427.8	1,411.0	0.4	1.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	310.1	312.4	313.5	-0.7	-1.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	0.4	0.4	0.5	-2.3	-25.8	881.48	885.46	49.3	51.6	17.88	17.16
Construction	51.2	52.2	52.0	-1.9	-1.6	742.37	707.25	37.1	36.4	20.01	19.43
Manufacturing	258.5	259.9	261.0	-0.5	-0.9	545.73	525.16	41.5	40.9	13.15	12.84
Durable Goods	148.9	149.5	152.4	-0.4	-2.3	563.46	534.70	41.8	40.6	13.48	13.17
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	9.8	9.9	9.4	-0.9	4.2	596.71	594.32	38.3	38.0	15.58	15.64
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	2.9	2.9	3.0	0.6	-2.5	731.13	638.17	47.2	45.1	15.49	14.15
Primary Metals	4.2	4.2	4.2	0.4	-1.0	584.32	544.42	44.3	42.4	13.19	12.84
Fabricated Metals	22.5	22.5	24.2	0.1	-6.8	634.31	589.95	42.6	41.9	14.89	14.08
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	49.5	49.6	50.7	-0.2	-2.3	593.48	574.08	41.1	40.4	14.44	14.21
Computer and Office Equipment	18.8	18.7	20.3	0.1	-7.4	702.48	663.78	40.7	39.7	17.26	16.72
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	18.7	18.8	18.8	-0.4	-0.2	453.23	409.94	42.2	39.8	10.74	10.30
Transportation Equipment	5.7	5.5	5.6	2.4	1.0	621.08	604.35	40.7	39.5	15.26	15.30
Instruments and Related Products	30.5	31.0	31.7	-1.5	-3.7	504.29	475.60	42.7	41.0	11.81	11.60
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	5.0	5.1	4.8	-1.2	4.1	484.79	472.83	41.4	39.7	11.71	11.91
Nondurable Goods	109.6	110.4	108.6	-0.7	1.0	523.61	512.12	41.1	41.3	12.74	12.40
Food and Beverage Products	18.9	19.1	19.1	-1.0	-0.6	538.04	524.57	45.1	45.3	11.93	11.58
Paper and Allied Products	25.9	26.3	26.1	-1.5	-0.8	541.60	538.65	40.6	40.9	13.34	13.17
Printing and Publishing	38.2	38.0	37.4	0.6	2.2	482.98	485.08	38.0	38.9	12.71	12.47
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	11.3	11.4	11.3	-1.4	-0.3	754.25	672.62	45.3	43.2	16.65	15.57
Rubber and Misc Plastics Products	12.2	12.4	11.7	-1.3	4.0	467.88	457.85	42.0	41.1	11.14	11.14
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,123.7	1,115.4	1,097.5	0.7	2.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	75.5	74.0	77.6	2.0	-2.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	54.1	52.6	56.2	2.8	-3.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	17.3	17.3	17.3	0.0	0.2	376.93	393.78	30.3	29.9	12.44	13.17
Communications and Utilities	21.4	21.4	21.4	0.1	0.0	672.99	649.78	37.1	37.8	18.14	17.19
Trade	340.1	340.1	338.2	0.0	0.6	306.12	294.82	30.1	29.6	10.17	9.96
Wholesale Trade	87.6	88.0	87.3	-0.5	0.3	511.43	489.35	37.8	37.1	13.53	13.19
Retail Trade	252.6	252.2	250.9	0.1	0.6	242.10	233.65	27.7	27.2	8.74	8.59
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	9.4	9.6	10.2	-1.9	-7.9	444.51	415.06	34.7	32.3	12.81	12.85
General Merchandise Stores	38.4	37.7	38.6	1.8	-0.6	247.91	262.85	28.3	29.7	8.76	8.85
Food Stores	29.8	30.0	30.1	-0.5	-1.0	297.01	301.77	31.1	31.9	9.55	9.46
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	24.9	24.8	24.7	0.4	0.8	396.27	363.81	35.7	36.2	11.10	10.05
Apparel and Accessories Stores	13.5	13.5	12.6	0.0	7.1	156.74	148.34	24.3	25.1	6.45	5.91
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip Stores	11.1	11.1	10.3	-0.5	7.7	397.84	359.47	31.6	33.1	12.59	10.86
Eating and Drinking Places	89.4	89.8	89.5	-0.4	-0.1	157.04	143.45	23.3	20.7	6.74	6.93
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	106.7	106.8	102.2	-0.1	4.4						
Finance	45.1	45.0	42.3	0.2	6.6						
Insurance	42.9	43.1	41.7	-0.4	3.0						
Real Estate	18.7	18.7	18.2	-0.2	2.4						
Services	414.7	413.2	396.3	0.4	4.6						
Personal Services	16.9	16.2	16.7	4.3	0.8						
Business Services	98.8	98.1	90.7	0.7	9.0						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	17.2	17.2	16.8	0.0	2.4						
Health Services	106.3	106.3	102.6	0.0	3.6						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	24.5	24.5	24.1	0.0	1.6						
Hospitals	34.5	34.6	34.2	-0.2	1.0						
Legal Services	13.0	13.2	12.9	-1.6	1.0						
Private Educational Services	17.0	15.4	16.7	11.0	2.1						
Government	186.7	181.2	183.1	3.0	1.9						
Federal Government	21.5	21.4	21.5	0.5	0.3						
State Government	49.0	48.7	48.4	0.6	1.3						
State Government Education	25.2	24.8	24.5	1.6	2.9						
Local Government	116.1	111.0	113.3	4.6	2.5						
Local Government Education	60.0	53.0	58.6	13.4	2.4						

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Employer Survey of St. Cloud MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Aug 1993	Sep 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	88,587	85,687	85,951	3.4	3.1
Goods Producing	20,025	19,946	20,038	0.4	-0.1
Construction and Mining	4,392	4,367	4,397	0.6	-0.1
Manufacturing	15,633	15,579	15,641	0.3	-0.1
Durable Goods	8,746	8,627	8,909	1.4	-1.8
Nondurable Goods	6,887	6,952	6,732	-0.9	2.3
Service Producing	68,562	65,741	65,913	4.3	4.0
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	4,312	4,253	4,173	1.4	3.3
Trade	26,508	26,398	25,325	0.4	4.7
Wholesale Trade	4,685	4,718	4,220	-0.7	11.0
Retail Trade	21,823	21,680	21,105	0.7	3.4
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,846	2,883	2,695	-1.3	5.6
Services	20,934	20,054	20,182	4.4	3.7
Health Services	6,260	6,352	6,359	-1.4	-1.6
Other Services	14,674	13,702	13,823	7.1	6.2
Government	13,962	12,153	13,538	14.9	3.1

Employer Survey of Rochester MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Aug 1993	Sep 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	69,723	69,387	69,286	0.5	0.6
Goods Producing	14,439	14,414	14,889	0.2	-3.0
Construction and Mining	2,465	2,503	2,609	-1.5	-5.5
Manufacturing	11,974	11,911	12,280	0.5	-2.5
Durable Goods	9,530	9,595	9,753	-0.7	-2.3
Nondurable Goods	2,444	2,316	2,527	5.5	-3.3
Service Producing	55,284	54,973	54,397	0.6	1.6
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,181	2,179	2,158	0.1	1.1
Trade	14,025	14,020	13,845	0.0	1.3
Wholesale Trade	2,131	2,138	2,050	-0.3	4.0
Retail Trade	11,894	11,882	11,795	0.1	0.8
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	1,914	1,895	1,820	1.0	5.2
Services	30,360	30,671	29,856	-1.0	1.7
Health Services	20,217	20,515	19,833	-1.5	1.9
Other Services	10,143	10,156	10,023	-0.1	1.2
Government	6,804	6,208	6,718	9.6	1.3

Minnesota's Job Growth Strong Compared to the Nation's

- **Minnesota's** annual growth rate in new jobs was 2 percent (45,000 jobs), good for a ranking of tenth among all states in annual job growth rate for September of 1993. The nation grew by 1.6 percent in total nonfarm jobs during the same time period.

- The **Twin Cities** added 22,800 jobs since September 1992, a growth rate of 1.6 percent, the same as the nation's. Eighty percent of the new jobs were in services. Within services, temporary help agencies, a subcategory of business services, gained 5,600 jobs, while health services gained 3,700.

- **St. Cloud** continues its winning ways as far as job growth is concerned, with a 3.1 percent increase in jobs since September 1992. This again puts St. Cloud in the top 20 metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) in the nation.

- The **Rochester** area is very close to the level it was at last September for total nonagricultural jobs. The impact of the IBM layoffs which began in October will be monitored through survey data.

- **Duluth-Superior** lost 2,000 jobs since September 1992, a decline of 2 percent in total employment. Nearly 800 jobs were lost in metal mining with the closing of an Iron Range taconite plant.

Employer Survey of Duluth and Duluth-Superior MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Duluth					Duluth-Superior MSA				
	Jobs			% Chg. From		Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Aug 1993	Sep 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	50,588	51,006	51,733	-0.8	-2.2	100,437	99,636	102,481	0.8	-2.0
Goods Producing	5,431	5,390	5,717	0.8	-5.0	17,650	16,934	18,056	4.2	-2.2
Mining	——	Combined with construction			——	5,488	4,761	5,281	15.3	3.9
Construction	1,700	1,713	1,868	-0.8	-9.0	3,716	3,776	4,167	-1.6	-10.8
Manufacturing	3,731	3,677	3,849	1.5	-3.1	8,446	8,397	8,608	0.6	-1.9
Durable Goods	1,520	1,516	1,599	0.3	-4.9	4,675	4,655	4,752	0.4	-1.6
Nondurable Goods	2,211	2,161	2,250	2.3	-1.7	3,771	3,742	3,856	0.8	-2.2
Service Producing	45,157	45,616	46,016	-1.0	-1.9	82,787	82,702	84,425	0.1	-1.9
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,883	2,914	3,117	-1.1	-7.5	5,753	5,828	6,103	-1.3	-5.7
Trade	12,877	12,630	12,943	2.0	-0.5	26,080	26,007	26,519	0.3	-1.7
Wholesale Trade	2,102	2,024	2,173	3.9	-3.3	4,225	4,263	4,275	-0.9	-1.2
Retail Trade	10,775	10,606	10,770	1.6	0.0	21,855	21,744	22,244	0.5	-1.7
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,317	2,384	2,259	-2.8	2.6	3,442	3,501	3,533	-1.7	-2.6
Services	16,349	16,248	16,242	0.6	0.7	27,330	27,369	27,266	-0.1	0.2
Health Services	6,885	6,892	6,676	-0.1	3.1	11,068	11,137	10,883	-0.6	1.7
Other Services	9,464	9,356	9,566	1.2	-1.1	16,262	16,232	16,383	0.2	-0.7
Government	10,731	11,440	11,455	-6.2	-6.3	20,182	19,997	21,004	0.9	-3.9

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	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992	Sep 1993	Aug 1993	Sep 1992
United States ('000s)												
(Seasonally adjusted)	127,975	128,370	127,274	119,457	119,701	117,724	8,517	8,661	9,550	6.7	6.7	7.5
(Unadjusted)	127,858	129,472	127,043	119,730	121,002	117,953	8,128	8,470	9,090	6.4	6.5	7.2
Minnesota												
(Seasonally adjusted)	2,491,353	2,478,344	2,436,883	2,369,376	2,364,609	2,317,162	121,977	113,735	119,721	4.9	4.6	4.9
(Unadjusted)	2,483,701	2,496,046	2,432,501	2,370,851	2,392,412	2,319,890	112,850	103,634	112,611	4.5	4.2	4.6
Metropolitan Statistical Areas												
Mpls.-St. Paul MSA	1,446,402	1,465,906	1,425,721	1,385,268	1,409,746	1,361,852	61,134	56,160	63,869	4.2	3.8	4.5
Duluth-Superior MSA	114,580	114,860	115,961	106,895	108,005	108,898	7,685	6,855	7,063	6.7	6.0	6.1
St. Cloud MSA	109,716	108,286	106,393	104,383	103,482	101,391	5,333	4,804	5,002	4.9	4.4	4.7
Rochester MSA	67,473	68,375	66,686	65,204	66,702	64,627	2,269	1,673	2,059	3.4	2.4	3.1
Region 1	44,174	42,807	43,894	41,918	40,260	41,388	2,256	2,547	2,506	5.1	5.9	5.7
Kittson	2,551	2,407	2,513	2,396	2,266	2,361	155	141	152	6.1	5.9	6.0
Marshall	4,827	4,618	4,665	4,442	4,226	4,256	385	392	409	8.0	8.5	8.8
Norman	3,446	3,359	3,419	3,307	3,171	3,230	139	188	189	4.0	5.6	5.5
Pennington	7,521	7,424	7,407	7,122	7,023	7,002	399	401	405	5.3	5.4	5.5
Polk	15,159	14,237	14,814	14,462	13,286	14,117	697	951	697	4.6	6.7	4.7
Red Lake	1,630	1,592	1,670	1,481	1,404	1,465	149	188	205	9.1	11.8	12.3
Roseau	9,040	9,170	9,406	8,708	8,884	8,957	332	286	449	3.7	3.1	4.8
Region 2	37,320	36,508	35,887	35,271	34,371	33,862	2,049	2,137	2,025	5.5	5.9	5.6
Beltrami	18,358	17,801	18,047	17,426	16,888	17,107	932	913	940	5.1	5.1	5.2
Clearwater	3,771	3,591	3,770	3,382	3,184	3,408	389	407	362	10.3	11.3	9.6
Hubbard	9,069	9,088	8,916	8,600	8,564	8,439	469	524	477	5.2	5.8	5.3
Lake of the Woods	2,193	2,290	2,267	2,119	2,235	2,167	74	55	100	3.4	2.4	4.4
Mahnomen	3,929	3,738	2,887	3,744	3,500	2,741	185	238	146	4.7	6.4	5.1
Region 3	153,400	151,905	151,638	141,958	142,262	141,404	11,442	9,643	10,234	7.5	6.3	6.7
Aitkin	6,127	5,854	5,736	5,618	5,400	5,257	509	454	479	8.3	7.8	8.4
Carlton	14,441	14,041	14,124	13,483	13,156	13,107	958	885	1,017	6.6	6.3	7.2
Cook	3,921	4,027	3,589	3,830	3,944	3,500	91	83	89	2.3	2.1	2.5
Itasca	20,343	19,416	18,863	17,861	17,662	17,186	2,482	1,754	1,677	12.2	9.0	8.9
Koochiching	9,194	9,057	8,705	8,536	8,473	8,114	658	584	591	7.2	6.4	6.8
Lake	4,991	4,917	5,008	4,649	4,611	4,646	342	306	362	6.9	6.2	7.2
St. Louis	94,383	94,593	95,613	87,981	89,016	89,594	6,402	5,577	6,019	6.8	5.9	6.3
City of Duluth	41,464	41,708	42,593	39,219	39,681	39,938	2,245	2,027	2,655	5.4	4.9	6.2
Bal of St. Louis Cnty	52,919	52,885	53,020	48,762	49,335	49,656	4,157	3,550	3,364	7.9	6.7	6.3
Region 4	103,281	103,004	101,991	98,638	98,482	97,524	4,643	4,522	4,467	4.5	4.4	4.4
Becker	13,651	13,932	13,623	12,634	12,893	12,401	1,017	1,039	1,222	7.5	7.5	9.0
Clay	27,248	27,332	26,676	26,163	26,266	25,920	1,085	1,066	756	4.0	3.9	2.8
Douglas	17,022	16,916	16,681	16,372	16,326	15,963	650	590	718	3.8	3.5	4.3
Grant	3,137	3,077	3,015	2,974	2,949	2,873	163	128	142	5.2	4.2	4.7
Otter Tail	26,386	26,205	26,682	25,210	25,029	25,500	1,176	1,176	1,182	4.5	4.5	4.4
Pope	5,171	5,032	4,904	4,921	4,821	4,722	250	211	182	4.8	4.2	3.7
Stevens	5,224	5,159	5,119	5,103	5,036	5,000	121	123	119	2.3	2.4	2.3
Traverse	1,920	1,868	2,012	1,844	1,777	1,953	76	91	59	4.0	4.9	2.9
Wilkin	3,522	3,483	3,279	3,417	3,385	3,192	105	98	87	3.0	2.8	2.7
Region 5	69,293	69,532	67,109	65,188	65,784	63,096	4,105	3,748	4,013	5.9	5.4	6.0
Cass	11,252	11,693	10,416	10,489	10,900	9,634	763	793	782	6.8	6.8	7.5
Crow Wing	26,715	26,814	26,072	25,326	25,588	24,751	1,389	1,226	1,321	5.2	4.6	5.1
Morrison	15,228	14,768	15,198	14,207	13,883	14,218	1,021	885	980	6.7	6.0	6.4
Todd	10,939	10,930	10,445	10,297	10,380	9,822	642	550	623	5.9	5.0	6.0
Wadena	5,159	5,327	4,978	4,869	5,033	4,671	290	294	307	5.6	5.5	6.2
Region 6E	60,571	61,569	60,876	57,517	58,913	58,033	3,054	2,656	2,843	5.0	4.3	4.7
Kandiyohi	22,196	22,161	21,322	21,294	21,443	20,509	902	718	813	4.1	3.2	3.8
McLeod	19,423	19,693	18,877	18,412	18,785	17,981	1,011	908	896	5.2	4.6	4.7
Meeker	8,419	8,125	8,185	7,815	7,610	7,511	604	515	674	7.2	6.3	8.2
Renville	10,533	11,590	12,492	9,996	11,075	12,032	537	515	460	5.1	4.4	3.7
Region 6W	25,252	24,884	24,039	24,290	23,959	22,997	962	925	1,042	3.8	3.7	4.3
Big Stone	2,727	2,732	2,821	2,612	2,629	2,711	115	103	110	4.2	3.8	3.9
Chippewa	6,763	6,661	6,576	6,473	6,422	6,267	290	239	309	4.3	3.6	4.7
Lac Qui Parle	3,859	3,779	4,002	3,724	3,636	3,8[illegible]	135	143	178	3.5	3.8	4.4
Swift	5,078	4,908	4,844	4,869	4,717	4,[illegible]	209	191	233	4.1	3.9	4.8
Yellow Medicine	6,825	6,804	5,796	6,612	6,555	5,5[illegible]	213	249	212	3.1	3.7	3.7

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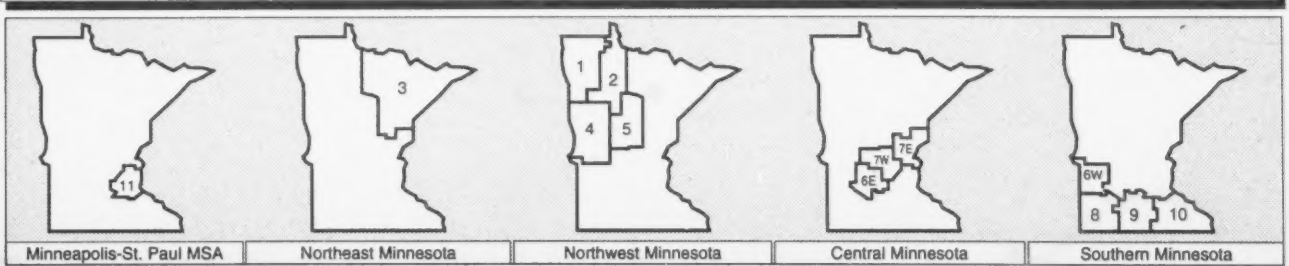
Region 7E	62,773	62,594	56,933	59,168	59,507	53,594	3,605	3,087	3,339	5.7	4.9	5.9
Chisago	15,633	15,797	15,323	14,758	15,021	14,508	875	776	815	5.6	4.9	5.3
Isanti	13,337	13,420	13,059	12,572	12,796	12,358	765	624	701	5.7	4.6	5.4
Kanabec	6,438	6,379	5,865	5,842	5,900	5,397	596	479	468	9.3	7.5	8.0
Mille Lacs	13,603	13,570	11,400	12,963	13,035	10,816	640	535	584	4.7	3.9	5.1
Pine	13,762	13,428	11,286	13,033	12,755	10,515	729	673	771	5.3	5.0	6.8
Region 7W	147,442	146,452	143,436	140,361	140,101	136,760	7,081	6,351	6,676	4.8	4.3	4.7
Benton	17,547	17,324	17,082	16,656	16,512	16,179	891	812	903	5.1	4.7	5.3
Sherburne	24,478	24,081	23,715	23,078	22,879	22,417	1,400	1,202	1,298	5.7	5.0	5.5
Steams	67,689	66,880	65,596	64,648	64,090	62,795	3,041	2,790	2,801	4.5	4.2	4.3
Wright	37,728	38,167	37,043	35,979	36,620	35,369	1,749	1,547	1,674	4.6	4.1	4.5
Region 8	65,508	65,641	63,423	63,305	63,001	61,377	2,203	2,640	2,046	3.4	4.0	3.2
Cottonwood	6,775	6,754	6,713	6,499	6,197	6,416	276	557	297	4.1	8.2	4.4
Jackson	5,587	6,013	5,445	5,343	5,649	5,246	244	364	199	4.4	6.1	3.7
Lincoln	3,042	2,942	3,177	2,951	2,846	3,084	91	96	93	3.0	3.3	2.9
Lyon	15,015	15,082	13,713	14,522	14,711	13,334	493	371	379	3.3	2.5	2.8
Murray	4,779	4,846	4,921	4,634	4,658	4,747	145	188	174	3.0	3.9	3.5
Nobles	12,304	12,290	11,722	11,986	11,873	11,390	318	417	332	2.6	3.4	2.8
Pipestone	5,461	5,276	5,155	5,244	5,073	4,977	217	203	178	4.0	3.8	3.5
Redwood	7,878	7,894	7,977	7,570	7,555	7,700	308	339	277	3.9	4.3	3.5
Rock	4,667	4,544	4,600	4,556	4,439	4,483	111	105	117	2.4	2.3	2.5
Region 9	118,931	117,848	114,955	113,928	113,247	110,533	5,003	4,601	4,422	4.2	3.9	3.8
Blue Earth	30,769	30,511	30,131	29,898	29,704	29,212	871	807	919	2.8	2.6	3.1
Brown	14,898	14,788	14,470	14,334	14,229	13,957	564	559	513	3.8	3.8	3.5
Faribault	9,201	8,776	8,176	8,794	8,438	7,848	407	338	328	4.4	3.9	4.0
Le Sueur	12,908	12,854	12,636	12,213	12,245	11,971	695	609	665	5.4	4.7	5.3
Martin	11,412	11,492	11,583	10,685	10,782	11,092	727	710	491	6.4	6.2	4.2
Nicollet	16,478	16,269	16,026	15,869	15,767	15,505	609	502	521	3.7	3.1	3.3
Sibley	6,558	6,588	6,213	6,165	6,189	5,874	393	399	339	6.0	6.1	5.5
Waseca	10,081	10,014	9,622	9,592	9,605	9,211	489	409	411	4.9	4.1	4.3
Watonwan	6,626	6,556	6,098	6,378	6,288	5,863	248	268	235	3.7	4.1	3.9
Region 10	243,724	242,889	235,308	234,293	234,426	226,247	9,431	8,463	9,061	3.9	3.5	3.9
Dodge	9,317	9,118	8,340	8,876	8,744	7,912	441	374	428	4.7	4.1	5.1
Fillmore	9,651	9,382	9,525	9,160	8,961	9,055	491	421	470	5.1	4.5	4.9
Freeborn	16,943	16,934	16,675	16,065	16,101	15,936	878	833	739	5.2	4.9	4.4
Goodhue	25,853	25,335	24,307	24,824	24,425	23,479	1,029	910	828	4.0	3.6	3.4
Houston	10,185	10,168	10,039	9,780	9,789	9,685	405	379	354	4.0	3.7	3.5
Mower	19,063	18,842	18,842	18,401	18,245	18,188	662	597	654	3.5	3.2	3.5
Olmsted	67,473	68,375	66,686	65,204	66,702	64,627	2,269	1,673	2,059	3.4	2.4	3.1
City of Rochester	45,065	45,601	44,523	43,351	44,347	42,967	1,714	1,254	1,556	3.8	2.7	3.5
Rice	29,299	29,467	28,855	28,206	28,308	27,660	1,093	1,159	1,195	3.7	3.9	4.1
Steele	17,253	17,166	16,454	16,532	16,511	15,611	721	655	843	4.2	3.8	5.1
Wabasha	9,587	9,539	8,965	9,164	9,178	8,508	423	361	457	4.4	3.8	5.1
Winona	29,100	28,563	26,620	28,081	27,462	25,586	1,019	1,101	1,034	3.5	3.9	3.9
Region 11	1,352,023	1,370,409	1,333,005	1,295,016	1,318,098	1,273,070	57,007	52,311	59,935	4.2	3.8	4.5
Anoka	147,574	149,534	145,424	140,799	143,309	138,413	6,775	6,225	7,011	4.6	4.2	4.8
Carver	28,954	29,340	28,575	27,991	28,490	27,517	963	850	1,058	3.3	2.9	3.7
Dakota	169,664	172,000	167,600	163,362	166,274	160,594	6,302	5,726	7,006	3.7	3.3	4.2
Hennepin	616,723	625,111	607,725	589,117	599,617	579,133	27,606	25,494	28,592	4.5	4.1	4.7
City of Bloomington	55,408	56,432	54,883	53,417	54,369	52,512	1,991	2,063	2,371	3.6	3.7	4.3
City of Minneapolis	209,224	211,837	206,008	198,468	202,006	195,105	10,756	9,831	10,903	5.1	4.6	5.3
Ramsey	269,881	273,569	266,285	258,965	263,580	254,576	10,916	9,989	11,709	4.0	3.7	4.4
City of St. Paul	143,700	145,598	142,123	136,919	139,359	134,599	6,781	6,239	7,524	4.7	4.3	5.3
Scott	34 114	34,609	33,520	32,802	33,386	32,246	1,312	1,223	1,274	3.8	3.5	3.8
Washington	85,113	86,246	83,876	81,980	83,442	80,591	3,133	2,804	3,285	3.7	3.3	3.9
Wisconsin Counties:												
Douglas (Wisc)	20,197	20,267	20,348	18,914	18,989	19,304	1,283	1,278	1,044	6.4	6.3	5.1
St. Croix (Wisc)	27,681	28,114	27,291	26,943	27,211	26,546	738	903	745	2.7	3.2	2.7



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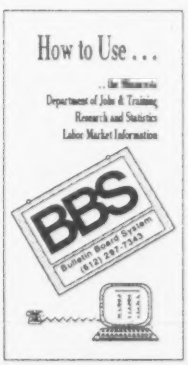

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State Unemployment Rate Moves Lower--to 4.4 Percent in October

Minnesota's unemployment rate moved lower in October to 4.4 percent from 4.5 percent in September. This corresponds to the change in the U. S. unemployment rate which was 6.3 percent in October, down from 6.4 percent in September. A year ago the unemployment rate in Minnesota was 4.5 percent and nationally it was 6.8 percent.

On a seasonally adjusted basis, Minnesota's unemployment rate increased from 4.9 percent in September to 5.1 percent in October, the same as a year ago. The U. S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in October was 6.8 percent, up from 6.7 percent in September but down from 7.4 percent a year ago.

Minnesota continues to experience a low unemployment rate. There are some pockets of higher unemployment around the state, but most counties in the state experienced decreases from their September unemployment rates.

The Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan unemployment rate decreased to 4 percent in October from 4.3 percent in September. The Rochester metropolitan area unemployment rate rose to 4.4 percent in October, the highest rate since 1987. Among the regions, the northeast had the highest average unemployment rate at 7.4 percent and the southwest had the lowest one at 3.5 percent. October unemployment rates, by county, ranged from 2.7 percent for Blue Earth and Yellow Medicine counties to 12 percent for Itasca County.

From a separate monthly survey of employers, there was an increase of 21,800 nonagricultural wage and salary jobs in October compared to September. This is 29 percent greater than the average increase over the past five years. A large part of the October increase is the typical seasonal change that occurs in private and public educational institutions, especially the colleges and universities. On a seasonally adjusted basis, Minnesota's nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 0.3 percent, more than the

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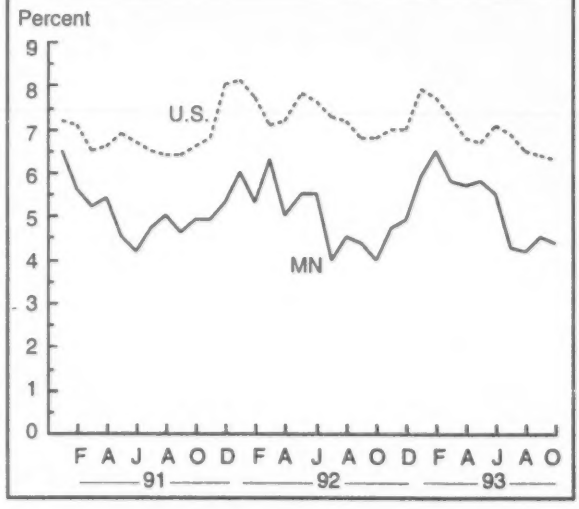

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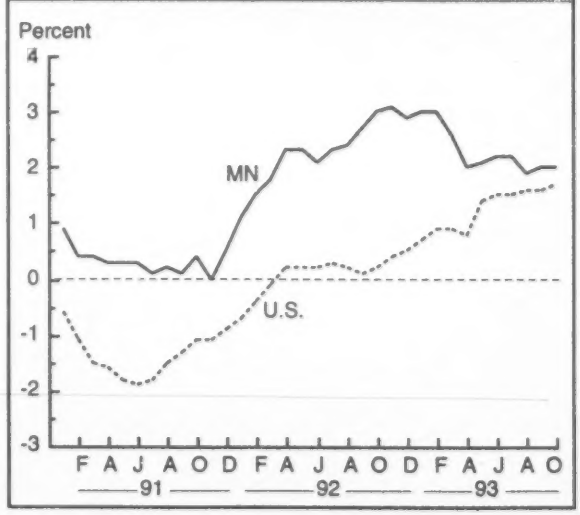
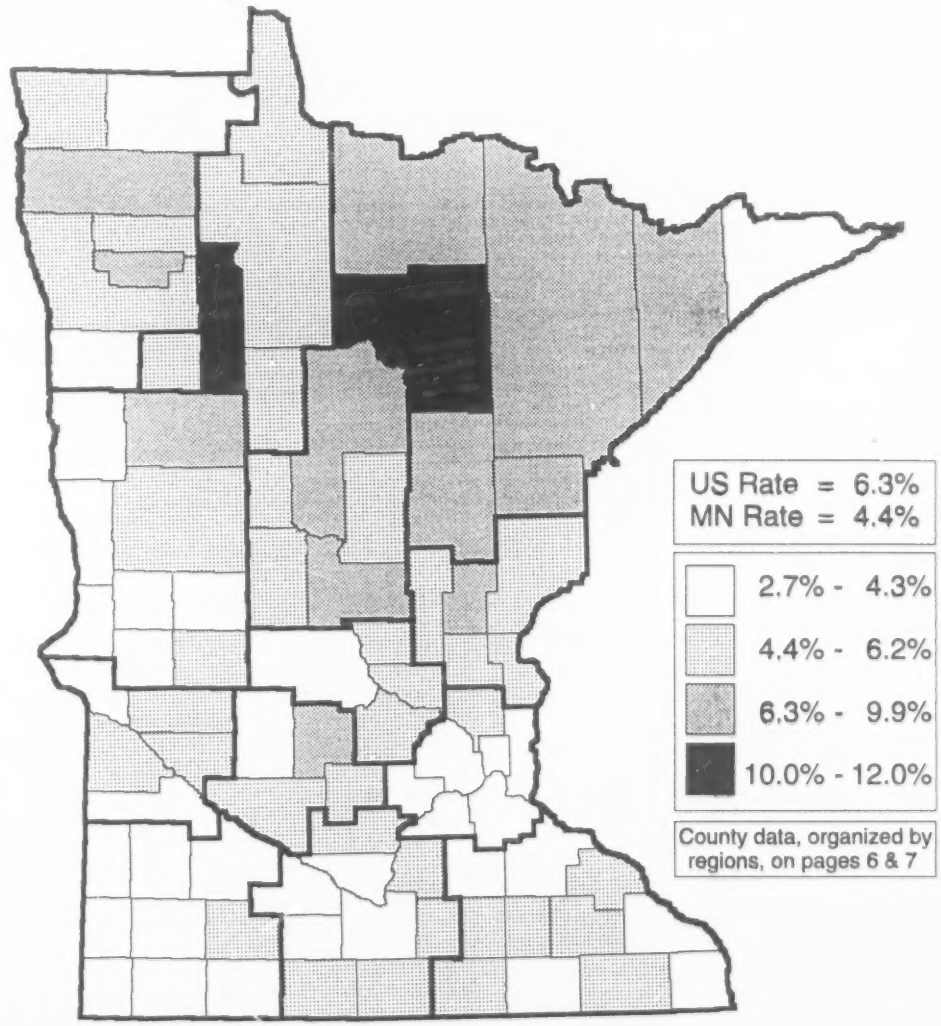


0.2 percent increase for the nation. Construction experienced an increase of 2.3 percent in seasonally adjusted employment.. The number of nonagricultural wage and salary jobs was up by 44,800 from a year ago, a 2 percent increase. This is greater than the October-to-October change over the last five years. Nationally, there was a 1.7 percent increase. Minnesota has outperformed the nation in half of the major industry groups. Services and finance, insurance, and real estate had increases of over 4 percent from a year ago. Business services, health services, and local government each added over 4,000 jobs. Job losses in air transportation contributed to a 1.2 percent decrease in transportation and public utilities.

Metropolitan area job growth over the past year was:

St. Cloud	Up 3,100 jobs or 3.6 percent
Minneapolis-St.Paul	Up 24,900 jobs or 1.8 percent
Rochester	Up 300 jobs or 0.5 percent
Duluth-Superior	Down 800 jobs or -0.7 percent

Minnesota Unemployment Rates by County
October 1993
(not seasonally adjusted)



Employer Survey of Minnesota Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Oct 1992
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	2,281.3	2,259.5	2,236.5	1.0	2.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	498.1	501.1	495.7	-0.6	0.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	7.6	7.6	8.2	0.2	-6.8	691.86	700.22	43.9	44.6	15.76	15.70
Metal Mining	5.5	5.5	6.2	0.4	-10.9	689.42	698.80	42.4	42.3	16.26	16.52
Construction	88.6	88.7	86.0	-0.1	3.0	741.19	713.47	41.2	40.7	17.99	17.53
Manufacturing	401.9	404.9	401.5	-0.7	0.1	512.93	494.36	41.6	[illegible]	12.33	11.97
Durable Goods	224.7	225.3	226.2	-0.3	-0.7	532.99	504.70	42.1	[illegible]	12.66	12.25
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	23.3	24.0	23.2	-2.9	0.5	568.63	510.07	40.3	38.7	14.11	13.18
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	8.3	8.4	8.3	-1.4	-0.2	628.79	567.26	47.1	45.2	13.35	12.55
Primary Metals	6.1	6.1	6.0	0.9	2.6	563.60	552.12	42.6	43.0	13.23	12.84
Fabricated Metals	30.6	30.6	32.2	0.0	-5.0	595.85	558.18	42.5	42.0	14.02	13.29
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	73.1	73.1	72.6	0.0	0.7	580.46	560.77	42.4	41.6	13.69	13.48
Computer and Office Equipment	29.9	29.8	30.8	0.3	-2.9	693.08	650.16	43.7	43.2	15.86	15.05
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	30.3	30.5	30.6	-0.6	-1.1	426.01	401.47	41.4	40.8	10.29	9.84
Transportation Equipment	12.0	12.1	11.7	-0.4	2.9	511.49	487.62	43.2	40.1	11.84	12.16
Instruments and Related Products	32.7	33.0	34.3	-0.9	-4.7	465.51	450.69	41.9	41.5	11.11	10.86
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	8.3	7.6	7.4	9.2	12.0	420.95	420.09	39.9	40.2	10.55	10.45
Nondurable Goods	177.2	179.5	175.3	-1.3	1.1	490.73	482.65	41.1	41.5	11.94	11.63
Food and Beverage Products	53.7	56.3	53.2	-4.7	0.9	441.42	433.73	42.0	43.2	10.51	10.04
Textile Mill Products and Apparel	5.2	5.1	5.0	1.7	4.5	339.86	326.73	39.2	39.7	8.67	8.23
Paper and Allied Products	33.1	33.4	33.2	-0.8	-0.4	622.24	612.68	42.1	42.4	14.78	14.45
Printing and Publishing	53.4	52.9	52.8	0.9	1.0	474.14	466.76	38.8	38.8	12.22	12.03
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	12.7	12.9	12.7	-1.3	-0.3	666.40	652.62	42.8	43.8	15.57	14.90
Rubber, Plastics and Leather Products	19.2	19.0	18.3	1.1	4.8	457.63	435.51	42.1	40.4	10.87	10.78
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,783.2	1,758.4	1,740.8	1.4	2.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	109.5	109.0	110.7	0.4	-1.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	75.1	74.4	76.1	0.9	-1.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	28.1	28.1	27.5	-0.1	2.0	430.40	422.45	37.2	35.0	11.57	12.07
Communications and Utilities	34.4	34.6	34.7	-0.7	-0.9	636.34	632.84	38.3	36.9	17.92	17.15
Trade	541.6	542.0	535.7	-0.1	1.1	277.11	265.06	29.2	29.0	9.49	9.14
Wholesale Trade	134.5	135.3	132.4	-0.6	1.6	484.45	450.72	39.1	38.1	12.39	11.83
Retail Trade	407.1	406.7	403.3	0.1	1.0	214.32	209.61	26.2	26.3	8.18	7.97
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	17.1	17.2	18.1	-0.9	-5.5	374.76	354.32	34.7	34.3	10.80	10.33
General Merchandise Stores	58.9	56.7	59.3	3.8	-0.6	220.77	207.51	27.7	26.3	7.97	7.89
Food Stores	55.1	55.1	55.7	0.0	-1.1	252.50	256.08	27.9	29.2	9.05	8.77
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	44.4	44.5	43.4	-0.4	2.3	343.28	331.47	35.1	34.6	9.78	9.58
Apparel and Accessories Stores	20.1	19.6	19.3	2.7	4.2	152.22	140.29	23.6	22.7	6.45	6.18
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	16.1	15.7	14.8	1.9	8.3	309.46	287.91	30.7	31.5	10.08	9.14
Eating and Drinking Places	138.5	141.9	137.1	-2.4	1.0	130.33	130.00	20.3	20.8	6.42	6.25
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	136.7	136.8	130.5	0.0	4.8						
Finance	61.5	61.3	58.2	0.3	5.7						
Insurance	51.6	51.5	49.6	0.3	4.1						
Real Estate	23.6	24.0	22.7	-1.7	3.9						
Services	633.7	632.5	608.7	0.2	4.1						
Personal Services	24.7	24.5	24.5	0.9	0.8						
Business Service	117.4	119.1	110.5	-1.4	6.3						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	23.7	23.6	23.1	0.3	2.7						
Health Services	185.3	185.7	180.1	-0.2	2.9						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	46.9	47.1	46.4	-0.4	1.2						
Hospitals	56.6	56.7	56.5	-0.3	0.1						
Legal Services	16.1	16.2	16.1	-0.5	0.3						
Private Educational Services	35.9	29.8	35.1	20.2	2.4						
Government	361.7	338.1	355.2	7.0	1.8						
Federal Government	34.3	34.6	34.0	-0.6	1.1						
State Government	86.6	78.0	86.3	11.0	0.3						
State Government Education	49.2	40.4	49.2	21.8	0.0						
Local Government	240.8	225.6	234.9	6.7	2.5						
Local Government Education	130.2	112.7	126.7	15.5	2.8						

Note: Not all industry sub-groups are shown for every major industry category.

* Totals may not add because of rounding.

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Employer Survey of Twin Cities Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Oct 1992
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	1,448.2	1,434.0	1,423.2	1.0	1.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	309.2	310.0	311.7	-0.3	-0.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	0.4	0.4	0.5	1.0	-26.5	933.86	932.79	49.7	51.0	18.79	18.29
Construction	51.1	51.3	50.7	-0.4	0.9	799.47	755.02	40.5	39.1	19.74	19.31
Manufacturing	257.6	258.3	260.5	-0.2	-1.1	550.99	527.36	41.9	41.2	13.15	12.80
Durable Goods	148.1	148.7	152.2	-0.4	-2.7	573.40	540.62	42.6	41.3	13.46	13.09
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	9.2	9.8	8.9	-5.6	3.3	638.38	573.04	40.2	37.7	15.88	15.20
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	2.9	2.9	3.0	-0.4	-3.4	766.75	643.87	48.9	44.9	15.68	14.34
Primary Metals	4.3	4.2	4.2	1.1	1.2	558.25	561.59	42.1	43.5	13.26	12.91
Fabricated Metals	22.5	22.5	24.1	-0.2	-6.8	637.93	596.14	42.5	42.4	15.01	14.06
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	49.1	49.4	50.7	-0.7	-3.1	609.33	579.33	42.7	41.0	14.27	14.13
Computer and Office Equipment	18.6	18.7	20.1	-0.6	-7.6	721.93	649.71	43.1	39.4	16.75	16.49
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	18.7	18.7	18.8	-0.1	-0.6	459.89	409.77	42.9	39.9	10.72	10.27
Transportation Equipment	5.7	5.7	5.8	0.6	-1.8	643.92	671.93	42.7	42.5	15.08	15.81
Instruments and Related Products	30.3	30.4	31.6	-0.7	-4.4	498.74	475.86	42.7	42.0	11.68	11.33
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	5.6	5.1	5.1	10.3	8.6	506.10	484.70	42.0	40.8	12.05	11.88
Nondurable Goods	109.5	109.6	108.2	-0.1	1.2	521.07	510.47	40.9	41.2	12.74	12.39
Food and Beverage Products	18.6	19.0	18.8	-2.1	-1.1	541.32	520.34	44.7	43.8	12.11	11.88
Paper and Allied Products	25.8	26.0	26.2	-0.6	-1.5	550.94	540.13	40.6	41.2	13.57	13.11
Printing and Publishing	38.4	38.1	37.1	0.9	3.5	484.11	476.91	38.3	38.9	12.64	12.26
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	11.1	11.3	11.2	-1.3	-0.8	718.96	688.87	44.0	44.3	16.34	15.55
Rubber and Misc Plastics Products	12.4	12.2	11.9	1.7	4.3	467.71	450.55	41.5	40.7	11.27	11.07
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,139.0	1,124.0	1,111.5	1.3	2.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	75.6	75.3	77.6	0.4	-2.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	54.5	54.0	56.3	0.9	-3.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	17.3	17.3	17.4	0.0	-0.2	391.73	379.61	31.9	29.0	12.28	13.09
Communications and Utilities	21.1	21.3	21.3	-0.9	-1.2	634.75	625.17	35.6	36.2	17.83	17.27
Trade	341.1	340.1	338.0	0.3	0.9	309.47	292.58	29.7	29.2	10.42	10.02
Wholesale Trade	87.0	87.5	87.1	-0.6	-0.1	533.11	496.31	38.8	37.8	13.74	13.13
Retail Trade	254.1	252.6	250.9	0.6	1.3	238.79	228.70	26.8	26.5	8.91	8.63
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	9.3	9.4	10.1	-1.0	-7.6	440.50	408.60	34.2	32.3	12.88	12.65
General Merchandise Stores	40.1	38.3	39.9	4.5	0.5	244.13	237.40	27.9	27.1	8.75	8.76
Food Stores	30.0	29.8	30.1	0.4	-0.4	284.38	280.02	29.5	29.6	9.64	9.46
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	25.0	24.9	24.7	0.5	1.2	411.79	371.28	37.3	36.4	11.04	10.20
Apparel and Accessories Stores	13.8	13.5	12.8	2.3	7.9	150.05	134.76	23.3	21.7	6.44	6.21
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	11.4	11.2	10.6	2.2	7.8	370.27	321.54	30.4	31.4	12.18	10.24
Eating and Drinking Places	87.5	89.4	87.3	-2.1	0.3	151.58	149.60	21.2	21.1	7.15	7.09
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	106.7	106.6	101.6	0.0	5.0						
Finance	45.3	45.1	42.3	0.5	7.1						
Insurance	43.1	42.9	41.5	0.5	4.0						
Real Estate	18.3	18.7	17.8	-2.2	2.4						
Services	417.1	415.1	399.9	0.5	4.3						
Personal Services	17.1	16.9	16.8	1.2	1.3						
Business Services	98.9	98.8	91.9	0.1	7.6						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	17.1	17.2	16.8	-0.2	1.7						
Health Services	106.8	106.2	103.2	0.6	3.5						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	24.5	24.5	24.4	0.2	0.4						
Hospitals	34.6	34.5	34.3	0.2	1.0						
Legal Services	13.0	13.1	12.9	-0.1	1.1						
Private Educational Services	19.7	17.0	19.4	15.9	1.6						
Government	198.6	186.9	194.5	6.3	2.1						
Federal Government	21.5	21.5	21.4	-0.1	0.4						
State Government	55.3	49.2	54.7	12.4	1.0						
State Government Education	31.4	25.2	31.0	24.4	1.4						
Local Government	121.8	116.1	118.4	4.9	2.9						
Local Government Education	67.0	60.1	65.2	11.5	2.6						

Note: Not all industry sub-groups are shown for every major industry category.

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Employer Survey of St. Cloud MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Sep 1993	Oct 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	90,498	88,851	87,390	1.9	3.6
Goods Producing	19,987	20,028	19,717	-0.2	1.4
Construction and Mining	4,423	4,395	4,275	0.6	3.5
Manufacturing	15,564	15,633	15,442	-0.4	0.8
Durable Goods	8,642	8,746	8,700	-1.2	-0.7
Nondurable Goods	6,922	6,887	6,742	0.5	2.7
Service Producing	70,511	68,823	67,673	2.5	4.2
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	4,302	4,296	4,184	0.1	2.8
Trade	26,745	26,458	25,465	1.1	5.0
Wholesale Trade	4,733	4,683	4,261	1.1	11.1
Retail Trade	22,012	21,775	21,204	1.1	3.8
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,843	2,847	2,705	-0.1	5.1
Services	21,169	20,935	20,511	1.1	3.2
Health Services	6,183	6,260	6,367	-1.2	-2.9
Other Services	14,986	14,675	14,144	2.1	6.0
Government	15,452	14,287	14,808	8.2	4.3

Employer Survey of Rochester MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Sep 1993	Oct 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	69,619	69,649	69,307	0.0	0.5
Goods Producing	14,171	14,439	14,852	-1.9	-4.6
Construction and Mining	2,451	2,465	2,596	-0.6	-5.6
Manufacturing	11,720	11,974	12,256	-2.1	-4.4
Durable Goods	9,319	9,530	9,828	-2.2	-5.2
Nondurable Goods	2,401	2,444	2,428	-1.8	-1.1
Service Producing	55,448	55,210	54,455	0.4	1.8
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,154	2,178	2,167	-1.1	-0.6
Trade	14,203	14,029	14,053	1.2	1.1
Wholesale Trade	2,085	2,126	2,038	-1.9	2.3
Retail Trade	12,118	11,903	12,015	1.8	0.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	1,882	1,915	1,801	-1.7	4.5
Services	30,059	30,281	29,398	-0.7	2.2
Health Services	19,901	20,217	19,446	-1.6	2.3
Other Services	10,158	10,064	9,952	0.9	2.1
Government	7,150	6,807	7,036	5.0	1.6

Minnesota Continues To Grow New Jobs

- **Minnesota's** annual growth rate in new jobs held steady at 2 percent (44,900 jobs), good for a ranking of eleventh among all states in annual job growth rate for October 1993. The nation grew by 1.7 percent in total nonfarm jobs during the same time period.
- The **Twin Cities** added 24,900 jobs since October 1992, a growth rate of 1.8 percent. The strongest gains were in services (17,300 jobs), finance, insurance and real estate (5,100 jobs), and government (4,000 jobs).
- **St. Cloud**, with 3.6 percent annual growth continues to be the "hotspot" for job growth in Minnesota. St. Cloud consistently ranks in the top twenty metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) in the nation for annual job growth.
- Even with a 4.4 percent loss in manufacturing jobs from a year ago, the overall picture in **Rochester** still shows positive growth (0.5 percent) since October 1992. Strong gains in the service producing sector neutralized the loss in manufacturing.

Employer Survey of Duluth and Duluth-Superior MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

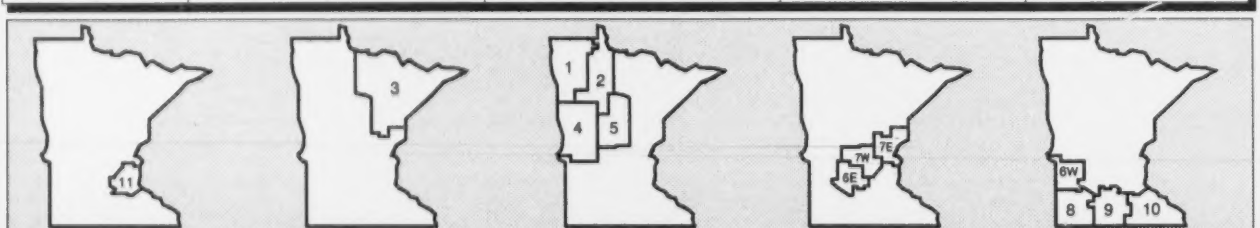
Industry	Duluth					Duluth-Superior MSA				
	Jobs			% Chg. From		Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Sep 1993	Oct 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	51,918	50,871	52,107	2.1	-0.4	102,286	100,920	103,043	1.4	-0.7
Goods Producing	5,402	5,413	5,743	-0.2	-5.9	17,691	17,659	18,275	0.2	-3.2
Mining	—	Combined with construction		—		5,511	5,488	5,204	0.4	5.9
Construction	1,685	1,700	1,913	-0.9	-11.9	3,729	3,741	4,542	-0.3	-17.9
Manufacturing	3,717	3,713	3,830	0.1	-3.0	8,451	8,430	8,529	0.2	-0.9
Durable Goods	1,511	1,510	1,586	-0.5	-4.7	4,670	4,666	4,702	0.1	-0.7
Nondurable Goods	2,206	2,194	2,244	0.5	-1.7	3,781	3,764	3,827	0.5	-1.2
Service Producing	46,516	45,458	46,364	2.3	0.3	84,595	83,261	84,768	1.6	-0.2
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,867	2,872	3,127	-0.2	-8.3	5,711	5,720	6,018	-0.2	-5.1
Trade	12,654	12,837	12,717	-1.4	-0.5	26,165	26,149	26,335	0.1	-0.6
Wholesale Trade	2,112	2,118	2,197	-0.3	-3.9	4,264	4,274	4,265	-0.2	0.0
Retail Trade	10,542	10,719	10,520	-1.7	0.2	21,901	21,875	22,070	0.1	-0.8
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,275	2,322	2,222	-2.0	2.4	3,409	3,446	3,483	-1.1	-2.1
Services	16,550	16,336	16,295	1.3	1.6	27,580	27,329	27,313	0.9	1.0
Health Services	6,891	6,876	6,690	0.2	3.0	11,110	11,057	10,900	0.5	1.9
Other Services	9,659	9,460	9,605	2.1	0.6	16,470	16,272	16,413	1.2	0.3
Government	12,170	11,091	12,003	9.7	1.4	21,730	20,617	21,619	5.4	0.5

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992
United States ('000s)												
(Seasonally adjusted)	128,714	127,975	127,066	119,928	119,457	117,687	8,786	8,517	9,379	6.8	6.7	7.4
(Unadjusted)	128,547	127,858	126,846	120,446	119,730	118,246	8,101	8,128	8,600	6.3	6.4	6.8
Minnesota												
(Seasonally adjusted)	2,461,566	2,491,382	2,443,866	2,336,500	2,369,374	2,319,269	125,066	122,008	124,597	5.1	4.9	5.1
(Unadjusted)	2,476,637	2,483,730	2,462,790	2,367,174	2,370,849	2,351,347	109,463	112,881	111,443	4.4	4.5	4.5
Metropolitan Statistical Areas												
Mpls.-St. Paul MSA	1,444,244	1,446,721	1,442,806	1,386,181	1,384,875	1,381,127	58,063	61,846	61,679	4.0	4.3	4.3
Duluth-Superior MSA	115,622	114,686	117,276	108,012	107,346	110,105	7,610	7,340	7,171	6.6	6.4	6.1
St. Cloud MSA	110,775	110,094	109,059	105,836	104,685	103,700	4,939	5,409	5,359	4.5	4.9	4.9
Rochester MSA	67,456	67,399	66,868	64,519	65,113	64,943	2,937	2,286	1,925	4.4	3.4	2.9
Region 1	44,766	44,198	45,313	42,623	41,901	42,917	2,143	2,297	2,396	4.8	5.2	5.3
Kittson	2,467	2,552	2,597	2,347	2,395	2,449	120	157	148	4.9	6.2	5.7
Marshall	4,930	4,836	4,769	4,550	4,441	4,385	380	395	384	7.7	8.2	8.1
Norman	3,572	3,446	3,594	3,435	3,305	3,419	137	141	175	3.8	4.1	4.9
Pennington	7,405	7,522	7,450	7,037	7,119	7,061	368	403	389	5.0	5.4	5.2
Polk	15,705	15,171	15,946	15,012	14,456	15,155	693	715	791	4.4	4.7	5.0
Red Lake	1,615	1,631	1,642	1,482	1,480	1,445	133	151	197	8.2	9.3	12.0
Roseau	9,072	9,040	9,315	8,760	8,705	9,003	312	335	312	3.4	3.7	3.3
Region 2	37,440	37,328	36,186	35,285	35,257	34,111	2,155	2,071	2,075	5.8	5.5	5.7
Beltrami	19,022	18,359	18,602	18,106	17,418	17,707	916	941	895	4.8	5.1	4.8
Clearwater	3,644	3,774	3,576	3,239	3,381	3,225	405	393	351	11.1	10.4	9.8
Hubbard	8,658	9,073	8,444	8,119	8,597	7,902	539	476	542	6.2	5.2	6.4
Lake of the Woods	2,120	2,192	2,260	2,013	2,118	2,147	107	74	113	5.0	3.4	5.0
Mahnomen	3,996	3,930	3,304	3,808	3,743	3,130	188	187	174	4.7	4.8	5.3
Region 3	152,528	152,754	153,330	141,234	142,328	142,716	11,294	10,426	10,614	7.4	6.8	6.9
Aitkin	6,207	6,122	5,767	5,721	5,616	5,301	486	506	466	7.8	8.3	8.1
Carlton	14,291	14,445	14,323	13,336	13,478	13,329	955	967	994	6.7	6.7	6.9
Cook	3,645	3,920	3,614	3,525	3,828	3,517	120	92	97	3.3	2.3	2.7
Itasca	19,468	19,746	19,033	17,130	17,855	17,384	2,338	1,891	1,649	12.0	9.6	8.7
Koochiching	8,817	9,197	8,870	8,147	8,533	8,174	670	664	696	7.6	7.2	7.8
Lake	4,955	4,991	4,793	4,617	4,646	4,402	338	345	391	6.8	6.9	8.2
St. Louis	95,145	94,333	95,930	88,758	88,372	90,609	6,387	5,961	6,321	6.7	6.3	6.5
City of Duluth	41,755	41,823	42,972	39,566	39,394	40,391	2,189	2,429	2,581	5.2	5.8	6.0
Bal of St. Louis Cnty	53,390	52,510	53,958	49,192	48,978	50,218	4,198	3,532	3,740	7.9	6.7	6.9
Region 4	102,071	103,222	102,782	97,461	98,647	98,121	4,610	4,575	4,661	4.5	4.4	4.5
Becker	13,247	13,661	13,607	12,176	12,629	12,398	1,071	1,032	1,209	8.1	7.6	8.9
Clay	27,358	27,172	27,280	26,405	26,199	26,520	953	973	760	3.5	3.6	2.8
Douglas	16,535	17,022	16,314	15,826	16,366	15,571	709	656	743	4.3	3.9	4.6
Grant	3,127	3,138	2,981	3,005	2,973	2,860	122	165	121	3.9	5.3	4.1
Otter Tail	25,837	26,391	26,610	24,675	25,201	25,348	1,162	1,190	1,262	4.5	4.5	4.7
Pope	5,000	5,172	4,948	4,767	4,919	4,727	233	253	221	4.7	4.9	4.5
Stevens	5,413	5,223	5,547	5,260	5,101	5,370	153	122	177	2.8	2.3	3.2
Traverse	1,905	1,919	2,042	1,846	1,843	1,962	59	76	80	3.1	4.0	3.9
Wilkin	3,649	3,524	3,453	3,501	3,416	3,365	148	108	88	4.1	3.1	2.5
Region 5	68,932	69,315	66,786	64,885	65,158	62,583	4,047	4,157	4,203	5.9	6.0	6.3
Cass	11,455	11,259	10,059	10,683	10,484	9,294	772	775	765	6.7	6.9	7.6
Crow Wing	26,130	26,720	25,416	24,713	25,313	23,953	1,417	1,407	1,463	5.4	5.3	5.8
Morrison	15,175	15,234	15,464	14,196	14,202	14,364	979	1,032	1,100	6.5	6.8	7.1
Todd	10,978	10,941	10,795	10,374	10,293	10,227	604	648	568	5.5	5.9	5.3
Wadena	5,194	5,161	5,052	4,919	4,866	4,745	275	295	307	5.3	5.7	6.1
Region 6E	59,875	60,582	60,242	57,046	57,495	57,551	2,829	3,087	2,691	4.7	5.1	4.5
Kandiyohi	22,067	22,197	21,334	21,282	21,284	20,547	785	913	787	3.6	4.1	3.7
McLeod	19,485	19,427	19,026	18,473	18,405	18,158	1,012	1,022	868	5.2	5.3	4.6
Meeker	8,260	8,423	8,416	7,671	7,813	7,782	589	610	634	7.1	7.2	7.5
Renville	10,063	10,535	11,466	9,620	9,993	11,064	443	542	402	4.4	5.1	3.5
Region 6W	25,490	25,254	24,658	24,439	24,281	23,743	1,051	973	915	4.1	3.9	3.7
Big Stone	2,732	2,729	2,847	2,619	2,611	2,747	113	118	100	4.1	4.3	3.5
Chippewa	6,864	6,763	6,829	6,546	6,470	6,566	318	293	263	4.6	4.3	3.9
Lac Qui Parle	3,945	3,859	4,053	3,746	3,723	3,923	199	136	130	5.0	3.5	3.2
Swift	5,169	5,078	4,970	4,931	4,867	4,742	238	211	228	4.6	4.2	4.6
Yellow Medicine	6,780	6,825	5,959	6,597	6,610	5,765	183	215	194	2.7	3.2	3.3

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992	Oct 1993	Sep 1993	Oct 1992
Region 7E	62,372	62,791	58,435	58,921	59,148	55,167	3,451	3,643	3,268	5.5	5.8	5.6
Chisago	15,547	15,640	15,483	14,765	14,754	14,714	782	886	769	5.0	5.7	5.0
Isanti	13,326	13,340	13,272	12,578	12,568	12,534	748	772	738	5.6	5.8	5.6
Kanabec	6,311	6,442	6,071	5,764	5,840	5,631	547	602	440	8.7	9.3	7.2
Mille Lacs	13,537	13,604	11,446	12,891	12,958	10,867	646	646	579	4.8	4.7	5.1
Pine	13,651	13,765	12,163	12,923	13,028	11,421	728	737	742	5.3	5.4	6.1
Region 7W	148,447	147,827	146,431	141,832	140,655	139,570	6,615	7,172	6,861	4.5	4.9	4.7
Benton	17,743	17,603	17,516	16,888	16,704	16,547	855	899	969	4.8	5.1	5.5
Sherburne	24,615	24,567	24,286	23,400	23,145	22,927	1,215	1,422	1,359	4.9	5.8	5.6
Stearns	68,417	67,924	67,256	65,548	64,836	64,225	2,869	3,088	3,031	4.2	4.5	4.5
Wright	37,672	37,733	37,373	35,996	35,970	35,871	1,676	1,763	1,502	4.4	4.7	4.0
Region 8	65,095	65,508	64,049	62,830	63,280	61,717	2,265	2,228	2,332	3.5	3.4	3.6
Cottonwood	6,787	6,775	6,511	6,412	6,496	6,228	375	279	283	5.5	4.1	4.3
Jackson	5,589	5,588	5,520	5,378	5,341	5,339	211	247	181	3.8	4.4	3.3
Lincoln	2,984	3,043	3,207	2,881	2,949	3,063	103	94	144	3.5	3.1	4.5
Lyon	14,921	15,015	13,960	14,509	14,517	13,573	412	498	387	2.8	3.3	2.8
Murray	4,662	4,779	4,842	4,509	4,632	4,650	153	147	192	3.3	3.1	4.0
Nobles	12,230	12,303	11,835	11,877	11,982	11,563	353	321	272	2.9	2.6	2.3
Pipestone	5,330	5,461	5,451	5,153	5,242	4,971	177	219	480	3.3	4.0	8.8
Redwood	8,004	7,878	7,996	7,686	7,567	7,729	318	311	267	4.0	3.9	3.3
Rock	4,588	4,666	4,727	4,425	4,554	4,601	163	112	126	3.6	2.4	2.7
Region 9	116,797	118,945	117,119	112,125	113,883	112,383	4,672	5,062	4,736	4.0	4.3	4.0
Blue Earth	30,975	30,766	31,302	30,126	29,886	30,257	849	880	1,045	2.7	2.9	3.3
Brown	14,627	14,899	14,524	14,071	14,329	13,965	556	570	559	3.8	3.8	3.8
Faribault	8,182	9,202	8,227	7,785	8,791	7,878	397	411	349	4.9	4.5	4.2
Le Sueur	12,450	12,911	12,486	11,770	12,208	11,743	680	703	743	5.5	5.4	6.0
Martin	11,547	11,422	11,819	10,873	10,681	11,308	674	741	511	5.8	6.5	4.3
Nicollet	16,475	16,480	16,578	15,990	15,863	16,060	485	617	518	2.9	3.7	3.1
Sibley	6,432	6,559	6,478	6,064	6,162	6,144	368	397	334	5.7	6.1	5.2
Waseca	9,438	10,080	9,316	9,002	9,588	8,889	436	492	427	4.6	4.9	4.6
Watonwan	6,671	6,626	6,389	6,444	6,375	6,139	227	251	250	3.4	3.8	3.9
Region 10	243,146	243,677	238,635	232,854	234,136	229,646	10,292	9,541	8,989	4.2	3.9	3.8
Dodge	9,004	9,318	8,866	8,527	8,872	8,444	477	446	422	5.3	4.8	4.8
Fillmore	9,560	9,653	9,909	9,100	9,157	9,438	460	496	471	4.8	5.1	4.8
Freeborn	17,234	16,950	16,880	16,301	16,059	16,226	933	891	654	5.4	5.3	3.9
Goodhue	25,510	25,854	24,390	24,535	24,814	23,493	975	1,040	897	3.8	4.0	3.7
Houston	10,273	10,194	10,185	9,915	9,777	9,838	358	417	347	3.5	4.1	3.4
Mower	19,081	19,063	19,107	18,375	18,395	18,437	706	668	670	3.7	3.5	3.5
Olmsted	67,456	67,399	66,868	64,519	65,113	64,943	2,937	2,286	1,925	4.4	3.4	2.9
City of Rochester	45,167	45,018	44,600	42,896	43,291	43,177	2,271	1,727	1,423	5.0	3.8	3.2
Rice	29,026	29,303	29,298	27,855	28,195	27,886	1,171	1,108	1,412	4.0	3.8	4.8
Steele	17,180	17,255	16,786	16,410	16,526	16,103	770	729	683	4.5	4.2	4.1
Wabasha	9,435	9,586	9,216	8,994	9,158	8,776	441	428	440	4.7	4.5	4.8
Winona	29,387	29,102	27,130	28,323	28,070	26,062	1,064	1,032	1,068	3.6	3.5	3.9
Region 11	1,349,681	1,352,326	1,348,823	1,295,642	1,294,680	1,291,122	54,039	57,646	57,701	4.0	4.3	4.3
Anoka	147,317	147,596	146,828	140,867	140,763	140,376	6,450	6,833	6,452	4.4	4.6	4.4
Carver	28,887	28,959	29,056	28,005	27,984	27,907	882	975	1,149	3.1	3.4	4.0
Dakota	169,407	169,712	169,654	163,441	163,320	162,871	5,966	6,392	6,783	3.5	3.8	4.0
Hennepin	615,387	616,882	614,452	589,401	588,964	587,345	25,986	27,918	27,107	4.2	4.5	4.4
City of Bloomington	55,382	55,417	55,532	53,443	53,403	53,257	1,939	2,014	2,275	3.5	3.6	4.1
City of Minneapolis	208,712	209,294	207,917	198,564	198,417	197,871	10,148	10,877	10,046	4.9	5.2	4.8
Ramsey	269,568	269,936	269,668	259,090	258,897	258,186	10,478	11,039	11,482	3.9	4.1	4.3
City of St. Paul	143,498	143,740	143,776	136,985	136,883	136,507	6,513	6,857	7,269	4.5	4.8	5.1
Scott	33,983	34,120	33,931	32,818	32,793	32,703	1,165	1,327	1,228	3.4	3.9	3.6
Washington	85,132	85,121	85,234	82,020	81,959	81,734	3,112	3,162	3,500	3.7	3.7	4.1
Wisconsin Counties:												
Douglas (Wisc)	20,477	20,353	20,346	19,254	18,974	19,496	1,223	1,379	850	6.0	6.8	4.2
St. Croix (Wisc)	28,019	27,682	27,855	27,200	26,903	26,886	819	779	969	2.9	2.8	3.5



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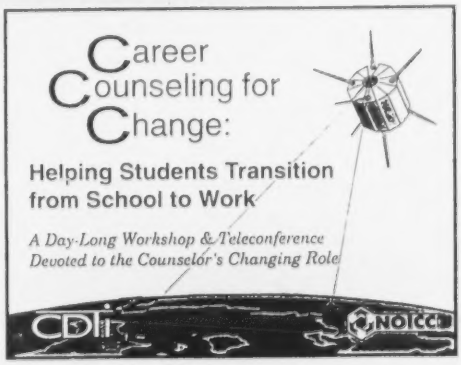

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State Unemployment Rate Drops to Lowest in Three Years

Minnesota's unemployment rate dropped to 4 percent in November from 4.4 percent in October.

Minnesota's unemployment rate continues to be 2 percentage points below the nation's, reaching its lowest level since November of 1990. This is the result of our maintaining stability and confidence through difficult economic times, which has resulted in a climate conducive to job creation and retention.

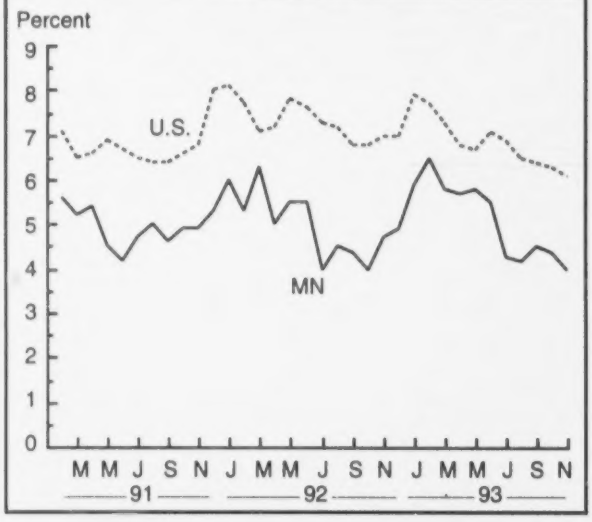
Minnesota's monthly decrease is larger than the corresponding decline in the U. S. rate which went to 6.1 percent in November from 6.3 percent in October. Compared to a year ago, both rates have declined by 0.9 percentage points, from 4.9 percent for Minnesota and 7.0 percent for the nation.

Seasonally adjusted, Minnesota's unemployment rate in November was 4.4 percent, down from 5.1 percent in October and from 5.2 percent a year ago. The U. S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate has also experienced a strong decrease to 6.4 percent in November, down from 6.8 percent in October and 7.3 percent a year ago.

From a separate monthly survey of employers, there was an increase of 2,600 nonfarm wage and salary jobs in November compared to October. This is considerably better than the average decrease of 1,900 jobs that has occurred between these two months over the past five years. The largest increases were in retail trade, up 4,800 jobs, and local government, up 5,900 jobs. Most declines were seasonal in nature as jobs in construction, food processing, and amusement and recreation services are reduced during the winter months. On a seasonally adjusted basis, Minnesota's nonfarm wage and salary jobs increased by 0.4 percent, twice the 0.2 percent increase for the nation.

The number of nonfarm wage and salary jobs in Minnesota was up 54,300 from a year ago. This is over 25 percent greater than the five-year average November gain of 42,700. The state's 2.4 percent increase from last year compares to a 1.8 percent increase nationally. Minnesota continues to

Monthly Unemployment Rate: U.S. and MN (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



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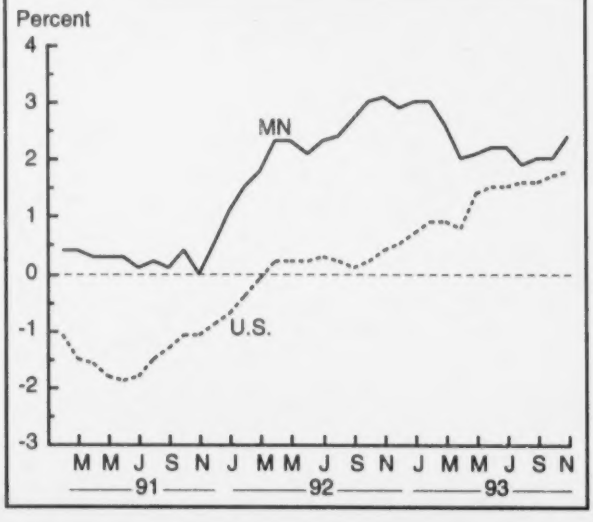
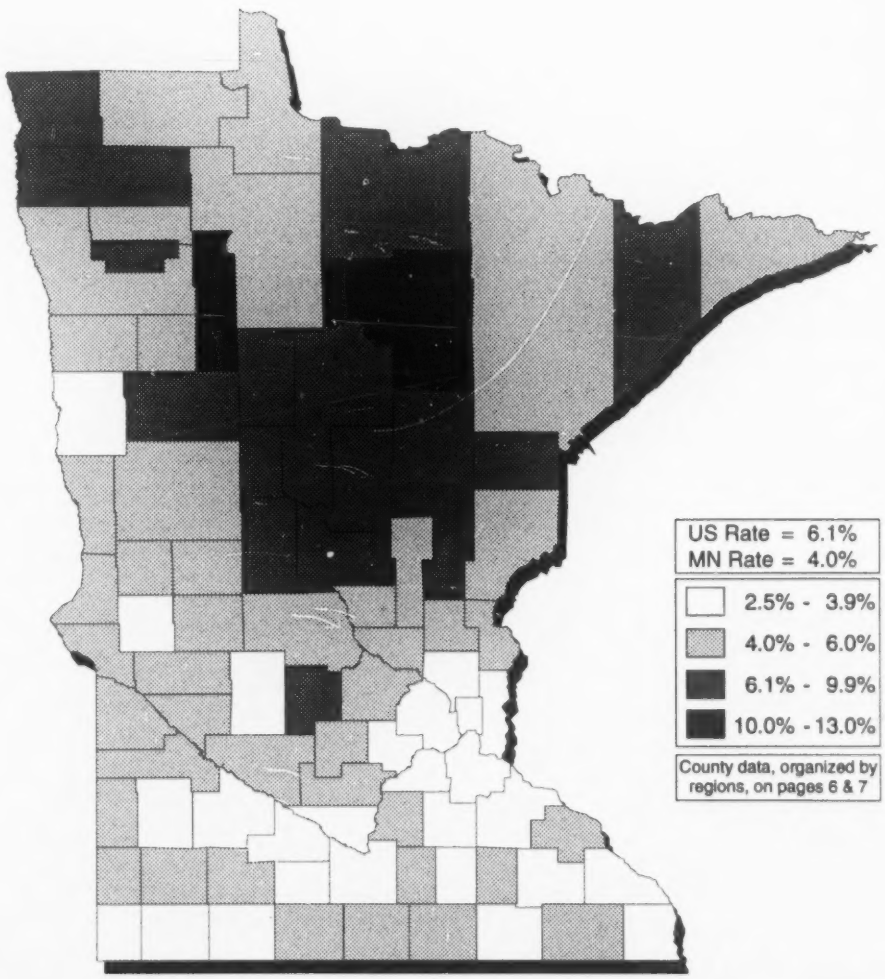


outperform the nation in many of the major industry groups. The largest percentage gains, at 5.1 percent, occurred in construction, up 4,100 jobs, and finance, insurance, and real estate, up 6,600 jobs. The services industries had a 4.6 percent increase, adding 27,900 jobs from a year ago. Business, health, and social services each added over 4,000 jobs while fabricated metals manufacturing, instruments and related products, and air transportation each have lost over 1,000 jobs during the past year.

Metropolitan area job growth over the past year was:

St. Cloud	Up 3,100 jobs or 3.5 percent
Minneapolis-St.Paul	Up 29,000 jobs or 2 percent
Rochester	Up 400 jobs or 0.5 percent
Duluth-Superior	Up less than 100 jobs

Minnesota Unemployment Rates by County
November 1993
(not seasonally adjusted)



Employer Survey of Minnesota Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Nov 1992
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	2,285.9	2,283.3	2231.6	0.1	2.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	490.7	497.9	485.1	-1.5	1.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	7.4	7.6	7.6	-3.3	-2.3	714.86	664.76	44.1	42.1	16.21	15.79
Metal Mining	5.5	5.5	5.8	-1.1	-5.2	728.19	691.39	43.5	41.5	16.74	16.66
Construction	84.1	88.8	80.1	-5.3	5.1	718.40	689.63	39.3	38.7	18.28	17.82
Manufacturing	399.2	401.5	397.5	-0.6	0.4	513.77	496.87	41.5	41.2	12.38	12.06
Durable Goods	224.3	224.6	224.8	-0.1	-0.2	528.36	504.71	41.9	41.1	12.61	12.28
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	23.0	23.3	22.6	-1.4	1.5	527.63	504.62	39.2	38.2	13.46	13.21
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	8.0	8.3	7.8	-3.3	2.3	607.20	543.26	46.6	43.6	13.03	12.46
Primary Metals	6.1	6.1	5.9	0.3	3.9	573.77	522.91	43.5	41.6	13.19	12.57
Fabricated Metals	30.3	30.5	32.1	-0.6	-5.5	569.21	551.46	41.7	42.0	13.65	13.13
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	72.9	72.9	72.7	0.0	0.3	585.23	561.50	42.5	41.5	13.77	13.53
Computer and Office Equipment	29.7	29.7	30.8	-0.1	-3.7	691.76	646.93	43.1	43.1	16.05	15.01
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	30.3	30.3	30.4	0.1	-0.3	420.65	420.16	40.8	42.1	10.31	9.98
Transportation Equipment	12.2	12.0	11.4	1.4	7.1	542.87	477.30	44.1	38.9	12.31	12.27
Instruments and Related Products	32.9	32.8	34.3	0.0	-4.2	476.40	457.85	41.9	41.1	11.37	11.14
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	8.6	8.3	7.6	3.4	13.2	430.00	429.71	40.0	40.5	10.75	10.61
Nondurable Goods	174.9	176.9	172.7	-1.1	1.3	497.31	486.51	41.1	41.3	12.10	11.78
Food and Beverage Products	51.0	53.5	50.4	-4.6	1.3	453.05	448.59	42.5	43.3	10.66	10.36
Textile Mill Products and Apparel	5.2	5.2	4.9	-0.8	4.8	346.42	322.71	39.5	37.7	8.77	8.56
Paper and Allied Products	32.9	33.0	33.3	-0.2	-1.1	620.17	606.52	41.4	41.8	14.98	14.51
Printing and Publishing	53.7	53.3	53.1	0.9	1.2	473.94	461.62	38.5	38.5	12.31	11.99
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	12.7	12.7	12.7	-0.1	-0.1	686.87	652.18	43.5	43.8	15.79	14.89
Rubber, Plastics and Leather Products	19.3	19.2	18.3	0.8	5.7	454.62	443.31	41.9	41.2	10.85	10.76
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,795.2	1,785.4	1,746.5	0.6	2.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	109.4	109.6	110.1	-0.2	-0.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	74.9	75.0	75.4	-0.2	-0.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	28.2	28.0	27.6	0.7	2.1	434.70	415.16	37.8	34.8	11.50	11.93
Communications and Utilities	34.5	34.6	34.7	-0.2	-0.4	686.21	670.68	38.4	37.7	17.87	17.79
Trade	546.8	541.9	539.5	0.9	1.4	275.50	264.19	29.0	29.0	9.50	9.11
Wholesale Trade	134.7	134.5	132.5	0.1	1.6	471.39	453.89	38.2	38.4	12.34	11.82
Retail Trade	412.2	407.4	407.0	1.2	1.3	216.67	207.77	26.2	26.2	8.27	7.93
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	17.0	17.1	17.9	-0.6	-5.3	364.14	335.30	34.0	33.1	10.71	10.13
General Merchandise Stores	62.2	58.9	62.5	5.6	-0.6	217.31	200.47	27.3	25.9	7.96	7.74
Food Stores	55.5	55.2	55.7	0.6	-0.4	256.22	258.91	28.5	28.8	8.99	8.99
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	44.5	44.2	43.3	0.5	2.6	333.45	321.43	34.2	34.6	9.75	9.29
Apparel and Accessories Stores	21.0	20.1	20.1	4.3	4.7	147.55	128.13	23.2	20.7	6.36	6.19
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	16.5	16.2	15.0	2.2	10.0	332.66	291.34	33.4	30.7	9.96	9.49
Eating and Drinking Places	137.0	138.6	135.0	-1.2	1.4	134.79	131.44	20.3	21.2	6.64	6.20
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	137.2	136.8	130.5	0.3	5.1						
Finance	61.9	61.5	58.3	0.6	6.2						
Insurance	51.9	51.7	49.7	0.4	4.4						
Real Estate	23.4	23.6	22.6	-1.0	3.8						
Services	633.5	635.4	605.6	-0.3	4.6						
Personal Services	24.9	24.8	24.5	0.7	2.0						
Business Service	119.0	119.1	110.2	-0.1	8.0						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	23.9	23.7	23.3	0.6	2.3						
Health Services	185.6	185.3	180.3	0.2	3.0						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	47.1	46.9	46.4	0.3	1.5						
Hospitals	56.7	56.6	56.6	0.2	0.3						
Legal Services	16.2	16.1	16.0	0.3	1.0						
Private Educational Services	36.4	35.9	35.6	1.4	2.2						
Government	368.3	361.6	360.8	1.9	2.1						
Federal Government	34.5	34.4	34.1	0.3	1.3						
State Government	87.2	86.5	87.5	0.8	-0.4						
State Government Education	50.3	49.1	50.4	2.4	-0.3						
Local Government	246.6	240.7	239.2	2.5	3.1						
Local Government Education	134.2	130.1	130.3	3.1	3.0						

Note: Not all industry sub-groups are shown for every major industry category.

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Employer Survey of Twin Cities Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Nov 1992
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	1,452.9	1,448.1	1,423.9	0.3	2.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	306.9	309.2	307.5	-0.7	-0.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	0.4	0.4	0.5	-3.4	-26.1	829.90	792.41	45.3	45.1	18.32	17.57
Construction	49.0	51.1	47.8	-4.2	2.5	790.72	742.90	39.3	38.0	20.12	19.55
Manufacturing	257.6	257.6	259.3	0.0	-0.7	547.87	528.60	41.6	41.2	13.17	12.83
Durable Goods	148.4	148.3	151.6	0.0	-2.1	566.82	541.03	42.3	41.3	13.40	13.10
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	9.2	9.2	8.6	0.1	7.0	597.53	572.18	38.6	37.3	15.48	15.34
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	2.8	2.9	2.9	-3.5	-3.9	703.42	614.76	46.4	43.6	15.16	14.10
Primary Metals	4.2	4.2	4.1	0.1	2.3	577.26	528.77	43.6	41.8	13.24	12.65
Fabricated Metals	22.3	22.5	23.8	-0.8	-6.6	611.74	583.67	41.7	41.9	14.67	13.93
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	48.8	49.1	50.6	-0.5	-3.5	610.03	596.82	42.6	42.0	14.32	14.21
Computer and Office Equipment	18.4	18.5	20.0	-0.6	-8.0	682.83	677.73	40.5	42.2	16.86	16.06
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	19.1	18.9	18.8	1.0	1.3	445.21	412.00	42.2	40.0	10.55	10.30
Transportation Equipment	5.8	5.7	5.6	1.1	3.1	704.44	636.23	44.5	41.1	15.83	15.48
Instruments and Related Products	30.4	30.3	31.7	0.1	-4.1	512.23	487.30	42.9	41.9	11.94	11.63
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	5.8	5.6	5.4	4.5	7.4	495.97	491.78	41.4	41.5	11.98	11.85
Nondurable Goods	109.2	109.3	107.7	-0.1	1.4	523.81	512.11	40.7	41.1	12.87	12.46
Food and Beverage Products	18.2	18.5	18.5	-1.7	-1.5	542.01	531.60	44.5	44.3	12.18	12.00
Paper and Allied Products	25.8	25.8	26.1	-0.1	-1.5	570.15	548.05	40.9	41.3	13.94	13.27
Printing and Publishing	38.6	38.4	37.1	0.5	4.0	480.95	472.85	37.9	38.6	12.69	12.25
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	11.1	11.1	11.2	-0.5	-1.1	733.61	682.45	44.3	44.2	16.56	15.44
Rubber and Misc Plastics Products	12.5	12.4	12.0	0.6	4.4	462.48	455.67	41.0	41.2	11.28	11.06
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,146.0	1,138.9	1,116.4	0.6	2.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	75.6	75.6	77.0	-0.1	-1.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	54.4	54.5	55.7	-0.1	-2.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	17.4	17.3	17.4	0.5	0.0	422.47	378.08	34.6	29.4	12.21	12.86
Communications and Utilities	21.2	21.2	21.3	0.0	-0.7	658.24	658.40	37.4	36.7	17.60	17.94
Trade	344.9	341.1	341.1	1.1	1.1	306.19	292.00	29.3	29.2	10.45	10.00
Wholesale Trade	87.3	87.1	87.2	0.2	0.0	522.73	504.74	38.1	38.5	13.72	13.11
Retail Trade	257.7	254.1	253.9	1.4	1.5	239.67	225.92	26.6	26.3	9.01	8.59
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	9.2	9.3	9.9	-0.9	-7.2	443.12	381.22	33.8	30.4	13.11	12.54
General Merchandise Stores	42.1	40.0	42.0	5.1	0.1	243.07	227.53	28.1	26.8	8.65	8.49
Food Stores	30.2	30.0	30.1	0.8	0.5	288.00	284.10	30.0	30.0	9.60	9.47
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	25.2	25.0	24.6	0.7	2.3	401.48	364.25	36.3	36.1	11.06	10.09
Apparel and Accessories Stores	14.5	13.8	13.3	4.6	8.4	147.38	123.52	23.1	19.7	6.38	6.27
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	11.7	11.4	10.8	2.6	8.3	362.70	333.21	30.2	30.1	12.01	11.07
Eating and Drinking Places	86.4	87.5	86.1	-1.3	0.3	151.84	148.33	20.8	21.1	7.30	7.03
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	107.0	106.7	101.7	0.3	5.2						
Finance	45.6	45.3	42.4	0.7	7.4						
Insurance	43.3	43.1	41.5	0.3	4.2						
Real Estate	18.2	18.3	17.8	-0.5	2.2						
Services	416.1	416.9	398.4	-0.2	4.4						
Personal Services	17.1	17.1	16.7	0.1	2.2						
Business Services	98.8	98.8	91.7	0.0	7.7						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	17.2	17.1	16.9	0.5	2.0						
Health Services	106.6	106.6	103.4	0.0	3.1						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	24.4	24.4	24.4	-0.3	-0.1						
Hospitals	34.5	34.6	34.4	-0.2	0.4						
Legal Services	13.1	13.0	12.9	0.1	0.9						
Private Educational Services	19.8	19.7	19.5	0.5	1.6						
Government	202.4	198.6	198.2	1.9	2.1						
Federal Government	21.6	21.6	21.5	0.2	0.3						
State Government	56.0	55.3	55.8	1.4	0.5						
State Government Education	32.4	31.4	32.0	3.2	1.2						
Local Government	124.8	121.8	120.9	2.5	3.2						
Local Government Education	69.0	67.0	67.2	3.0	2.7						

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Employer Survey of St. Cloud MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Oct 1993	Nov 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	91,082	90,534	87,973	0.6	3.5
Goods Producing	19,653	19,979	19,254	-1.6	2.1
Construction and Mining	4,232	4,422	4,032	-4.3	5.0
Manufacturing	15,421	15,557	15,222	-0.9	1.3
Durable Goods	8,565	8,636	8,422	-0.8	1.7
Nondurable Goods	6,856	6,921	6,800	-0.9	0.8
Service Producing	71,429	70,555	68,719	1.2	3.9
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	4,250	4,290	4,177	-0.9	1.7
Trade	27,162	26,761	25,854	1.5	5.1
Wholesale Trade	4,722	4,714	4,288	0.2	10.1
Retail Trade	22,440	22,047	21,566	1.8	4.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,855	2,844	2,702	0.4	5.7
Services	21,484	21,208	20,805	1.3	3.3
Health Services	6,225	6,199	6,353	0.4	-2.0
Other Services	15,259	15,009	14,452	1.7	5.6
Government	15,678	15,452	15,181	1.5	3.3

Employer Survey of Rochester MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Oct 1993	Nov 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	69,582	69,731	69,230	-0.2	0.5
Goods Producing	13,731	14,217	14,500	-3.4	-5.3
Construction and Mining	2,337	2,462	2,438	-5.1	-4.1
Manufacturing	11,394	11,755	12,062	-3.1	-5.5
Durable Goods	9,318	9,355	9,821	-0.4	-5.1
Nondurable Goods	2,076	2,400	2,241	-13.5	-7.4
Service Producing	55,851	55,514	54,730	0.6	2.0
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,147	2,145	2,178	0.1	-1.4
Trade	14,443	14,287	14,134	1.1	2.2
Wholesale Trade	2,057	2,079	2,023	-1.1	1.7
Retail Trade	12,386	12,208	12,111	1.5	2.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	1,861	1,862	1,745	-1.1	6.6
Services	30,132	30,046	29,403	0.3	2.5
Health Services	19,960	19,889	19,459	0.4	2.6
Other Services	10,172	10,157	9,944	0.1	2.3
Government	7,268	7,154	7,270	1.6	0.0

Minnesota Job Growth Ranks Ninth Nationally In November

▲ **Minnesota** continues to generate new jobs at a faster pace than the nation with a 2.4 percent increase from November 1992 to November 1993. The corresponding national rate was 1.8 percent during the same period.

▲ The **Twin Cities** added 29,000 jobs since November 1992, a 2 percent increase. Strong gains in construction, services and finance, insurance and real estate outpaced declines in durable goods manufacturing and transportation.

▲ **St. Cloud** continues to take top honors among the state's metropolitan areas in job growth, with a 3.5 percent annual increase (3,100 jobs). Significant gains occurred in trade (1,300 jobs) and other services (800 jobs).

▲ In **Rochester**, nonagricultural jobs increased 0.5 percent over the year (350 jobs). Solid gains in trade, services and government were offset by the much publicized decreases in manufacturing employment.

▲ The employer survey shows the **Duluth-Superior** area to be at the same level it was in November 1992. Mining was up 17.8 percent (840 jobs) from a year ago, while construction dropped 16.5 percent (700 jobs).

Employer Survey of Duluth and Duluth-Superior MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

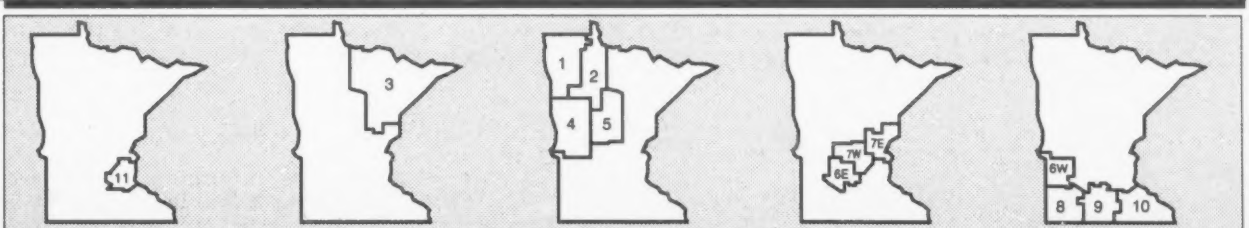
Industry	Duluth					Duluth-Superior MSA				
	Jobs			% Chg. From		Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Oct 1993	Nov 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	51,801	51,702	52,429	0.2	-1.2	102,327	102,229	102,281	0.1	0.0
Goods Producing	5,085	5,134	5,683	-1.0	-10.5	17,594	17,573	17,385	0.1	1.2
Mining	——	Combined with construction		——		5,535	5,511	4,697	0.4	17.8
Construction	1,529	1,605	1,872	-4.7	-18.3	3,564	3,650	4,268	-2.4	-16.5
Manufacturing	3,556	3,529	3,811	0.8	-6.7	8,495	8,412	8,420	1.0	0.9
Durable Goods	1,319	1,320	1,570	-0.1	-16.0	4,624	4,631	4,648	-0.2	-0.5
Nondurable Goods	2,237	2,209	2,241	1.3	-0.2	3,871	3,781	3,772	2.4	2.6
Service Producing	46,716	46,568	46,746	0.3	-0.1	84,733	84,656	84,896	0.1	-0.2
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,950	2,973	3,110	-0.8	-5.1	5,696	5,829	5,964	-2.3	-4.5
Trade	12,883	12,872	12,778	0.1	0.8	26,338	26,262	26,301	0.3	0.1
Wholesale Trade	2,079	2,071	2,132	0.4	-2.5	4,241	4,221	4,233	0.5	0.2
Retail Trade	10,804	10,801	10,646	0.0	1.5	22,097	22,041	22,068	0.3	0.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,273	2,252	2,263	0.9	0.4	3,461	3,439	3,490	0.6	-0.8
Services	16,127	16,343	16,130	-1.3	0.0	27,164	27,397	26,999	-0.9	0.6
Health Services	6,900	6,891	6,684	0.1	3.2	11,107	11,105	10,861	0.0	2.3
Other Services	9,227	9,452	9,446	-2.4	-2.3	16,057	16,292	16,138	-1.4	-0.5
Government	12,483	12,128	12,465	2.9	0.1	22,074	21,729	22,142	1.6	-0.3

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992
United States ('000s)												
(Seasonally adjusted)	128,633	128,714	127,365	120,381	119,928	118,064	8,252	8,786	9,301	6.4	6.8	7.3
(Unadjusted)	128,521	128,547	127,087	120,632	120,446	118,239	7,890	8,101	8,848	6.1	6.3	7.0
Minnesota												
(Seasonally adjusted)	2,489,155	2,462,021	2,445,823	2,378,988	2,336,863	2,317,542	110,167	125,158	128,281	4.4	5.1	5.2
(Unadjusted)	2,486,409	2,477,092	2,445,858	2,387,540	2,367,537	2,325,965	98,869	109,555	119,893	4.0	4.4	4.9
Metropolitan Statistical Areas												
Mpls.-St. Paul MSA	1,458,729	1,447,499	1,435,694	1,409,292	1,389,364	1,374,359	49,437	58,135	61,335	3.4	4.0	4.3
Duluth-Superior MSA	116,740	115,799	116,782	109,716	108,163	108,989	7,024	7,636	7,793	6.0	6.6	6.7
St. Cloud MSA	112,615	111,081	109,516	107,790	106,131	103,903	4,825	4,950	5,613	4.3	4.5	5.1
Rochester MSA	67,572	67,718	66,976	65,373	64,776	64,589	2,199	2,942	2,387	3.3	4.3	3.6
Region 1	44,325	45,028	43,913	41,854	42,865	40,866	2,471	2,163	3,047	5.6	4.8	6.9
Kittson	2,415	2,420	2,563	2,260	2,300	2,367	155	120	196	6.4	5.0	7.6
Marshall	4,831	4,909	4,687	4,373	4,528	4,128	458	381	559	9.5	7.8	11.9
Norman	3,610	3,638	3,560	3,450	3,501	3,338	160	137	222	4.4	3.8	6.2
Pennington	7,443	7,504	7,072	7,098	7,125	6,616	345	379	456	4.6	5.1	6.4
Polk	15,472	15,844	15,096	14,712	15,143	14,127	760	701	969	4.9	4.4	6.4
Red Lake	1,616	1,619	1,619	1,480	1,486	1,397	136	133	222	8.4	8.2	13.7
Roseau	8,938	9,094	9,316	8,481	8,782	8,893	457	312	423	5.1	3.4	4.5
Region 2	36,992	36,955	35,756	34,557	34,796	32,660	2,435	2,159	3,096	6.6	5.8	8.7
Beltrami	18,925	18,697	18,436	17,877	17,782	17,203	1,048	915	1,233	5.5	4.9	6.7
Clearwater	3,690	3,645	3,661	3,211	3,235	3,075	479	410	586	13.0	11.2	16.0
Hubbard	8,112	8,511	8,142	7,532	7,973	7,235	580	538	907	7.1	6.3	11.1
Lake of the Woods	1,997	2,096	2,196	1,900	1,989	2,064	97	107	132	4.9	5.1	6.0
Mahnomen	4,268	4,006	3,321	4,037	3,817	3,083	231	189	238	5.4	4.7	7.2
Region 3	151,876	152,630	152,187	141,722	141,335	140,123	10,154	11,295	12,064	6.7	7.4	7.9
Aitkin	6,168	6,265	5,770	5,633	5,777	5,143	535	488	627	8.7	7.8	10.9
Carlton	14,262	14,442	14,311	13,378	13,486	13,179	884	956	1,132	6.2	6.6	7.9
Cook	3,317	3,561	3,306	3,164	3,443	3,118	153	118	188	4.6	3.3	5.7
Itasca	18,883	19,537	18,853	16,841	17,194	17,058	2,042	2,343	1,795	10.8	12.0	9.5
Koochiching	8,461	8,618	8,749	7,834	7,952	8,002	627	666	747	7.4	7.7	8.5
Lake	4,729	4,890	4,714	4,414	4,553	4,242	315	337	472	6.7	6.9	10.0
St. Louis	96,056	95,317	96,484	90,458	88,930	89,381	5,598	6,387	7,103	5.8	6.7	7.4
City of Duluth	42,107	41,831	42,589	40,324	39,642	39,843	1,783	2,189	2,746	4.2	5.2	6.4
Bal of St. Louis Cnty	53,949	53,486	53,895	50,134	49,288	49,538	3,815	4,198	4,357	7.1	7.8	8.1
Region 4	103,095	102,702	102,557	98,172	98,080	96,643	4,923	4,622	5,914	4.8	4.5	5.8
Becker	13,511	13,623	13,673	12,525	12,547	12,366	986	1,076	1,307	7.3	7.9	9.6
Clay	27,743	27,424	27,262	26,660	26,468	26,228	1,083	956	1,034	3.9	3.5	3.8
Douglas	16,717	16,424	16,399	15,978	15,718	15,497	739	706	902	4.4	4.3	5.5
Grant	3,202	3,182	2,992	3,066	3,056	2,806	136	126	186	4.2	4.0	6.2
Otter Tail	25,979	26,178	26,600	24,683	25,013	24,870	1,296	1,165	1,730	5.0	4.5	6.5
Pope	4,992	4,978	4,873	4,761	4,745	4,602	231	233	271	4.6	4.7	5.6
Stevens	5,339	5,375	5,385	5,137	5,222	5,138	202	153	247	3.8	2.8	4.6
Traverse	1,947	1,910	1,971	1,850	1,851	1,876	97	59	95	5.0	3.1	4.8
Wilkin	3,665	3,608	3,402	3,512	3,460	3,260	153	148	142	4.2	4.1	4.2
Region 5	68,137	69,029	66,362	63,648	64,967	60,817	4,489	4,062	5,545	6.6	5.9	8.4
Cass	10,956	11,548	9,756	10,104	10,773	8,688	852	775	1,068	7.8	6.7	10.9
Crow Wing	25,713	26,099	24,933	24,136	24,675	23,107	1,577	1,424	1,826	6.1	5.5	7.3
Morrison	15,208	15,198	15,611	14,183	14,218	14,226	1,025	980	1,385	6.7	6.4	8.9
Todd	11,077	11,050	10,912	10,385	10,444	10,103	692	606	809	6.2	5.5	7.4
Wadena	5,183	5,134	5,150	4,840	4,857	4,693	343	277	457	6.6	5.4	8.9
Region 6E	58,457	59,660	58,118	55,886	56,824	55,215	2,571	2,836	2,903	4.4	4.8	5.0
Kandiyohi	22,065	21,871	21,041	21,264	21,080	20,234	801	791	807	3.6	3.6	3.8
McLeod	18,531	19,521	17,831	17,763	18,508	16,967	768	1,013	864	4.1	5.2	4.8
Meeker	8,181	8,188	8,217	7,631	7,600	7,519	550	588	698	6.7	7.2	8.5
Renville	9,680	10,080	11,029	9,228	9,636	10,495	452	444	534	4.7	4.4	4.8
Region 6W	25,497	25,359	24,580	24,227	24,308	23,337	1,270	1,051	1,243	5.0	4.1	5.1
Big Stone	2,675	2,687	2,871	2,517	2,576	2,698	158	111	173	5.9	4.1	6.0
Chippewa	7,029	6,988	6,709	6,670	6,666	6,361	359	322	348	5.1	4.6	5.2
Lac Qui Parle	4,022	3,944	4,143	3,844	3,748	3,957	178	196	186	4.4	5.0	4.5
Swift	5,169	5,237	4,911	4,939	4,998	4,646	230	239	265	4.4	4.6	5.4
Yellow Medicine	6,602	6,503	5,946	6,257	6,320	5,675	345	183	271	5.2	2.8	4.6

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992	Nov 1993	Oct 1993	Nov 1992
Region 7E	60,769	60,492	58,357	57,358	57,058	54,193	3,411	3,434	4,164	5.6	5.7	7.1
Chisago	15,805	15,583	15,725	15,017	14,800	14,636	788	783	1,089	5.0	5.0	6.9
Isanti	13,470	13,355	13,346	12,792	12,607	12,468	678	748	878	5.0	5.6	6.6
Kanabec	6,095	6,109	6,027	5,556	5,562	5,454	539	547	573	8.8	9.0	9.5
Mille Lacs	11,997	12,054	11,300	11,382	11,423	10,619	615	631	681	5.1	5.2	6.0
Pine	13,402	13,391	11,959	12,611	12,666	11,016	791	725	943	5.9	5.4	7.9
Region 7W	150,957	148,841	147,352	144,401	142,212	139,583	6,556	6,629	7,769	4.3	4.5	5.3
Benton	18,093	17,792	17,596	17,200	16,935	16,579	893	857	1,017	4.9	4.8	5.8
Sherburne	25,017	24,683	24,408	23,832	23,465	22,972	1,185	1,218	1,436	4.7	4.9	5.9
Stearns	69,506	68,607	67,511	66,759	65,731	64,351	2,747	2,876	3,160	4.0	4.2	4.7
Wright	38,341	37,759	37,837	36,610	36,081	35,681	1,731	1,678	2,156	4.5	4.4	5.7
Region 8	65,594	65,074	63,764	63,205	62,820	61,105	2,389	2,254	2,659	3.6	3.5	4.2
Cottonwood	6,936	6,851	6,455	6,642	6,474	6,146	294	377	309	4.2	5.5	4.8
Jackson	5,669	5,698	5,450	5,451	5,487	5,202	218	211	248	3.8	3.7	4.6
Lincoln	3,109	3,064	3,161	2,965	2,964	2,936	144	100	175	4.6	3.3	5.5
Lyon	14,867	14,834	13,911	14,493	14,422	13,424	374	412	487	2.5	2.8	3.5
Murray	4,759	4,687	4,728	4,532	4,534	4,476	227	153	252	4.8	3.3	5.3
Nobles	12,295	12,040	11,998	11,859	11,692	11,575	436	348	423	3.5	2.9	3.5
Pipestone	5,340	5,245	5,348	5,101	5,069	5,070	239	176	278	4.5	3.4	5.2
Redwood	8,087	8,112	7,973	7,776	7,796	7,638	311	316	335	3.8	3.9	4.2
Rock	4,532	4,543	4,740	4,386	4,382	4,588	146	161	152	3.2	3.5	3.2
Region 9	115,712	116,361	114,782	111,312	111,685	109,568	4,400	4,676	5,214	3.8	4.0	4.5
Blue Earth	31,711	31,178	31,348	30,853	30,328	30,273	858	850	1,075	2.7	2.7	3.4
Brown	14,581	14,636	14,184	14,077	14,079	13,553	504	557	631	3.5	3.8	4.4
Faribault	7,592	7,980	7,608	7,205	7,582	7,169	387	398	439	5.1	5.0	5.8
Le Sueur	11,289	12,246	11,276	10,643	11,569	10,392	646	677	884	5.7	5.5	7.8
Martin	11,354	11,423	11,599	10,792	10,750	11,068	562	673	531	4.9	5.9	4.6
Nicollet	16,859	16,583	16,591	16,377	16,098	16,068	482	485	523	2.9	2.9	3.2
Sibley	6,319	6,436	6,430	5,984	6,068	6,049	335	368	381	5.3	5.7	5.9
Waseca	9,448	9,435	9,401	9,060	8,991	8,932	388	444	469	4.1	4.7	5.0
Watonwan	6,559	6,444	6,345	6,321	6,220	6,064	238	224	281	3.6	3.5	4.4
Region 10	242,343	242,175	237,436	233,477	231,888	227,550	8,866	10,287	9,886	3.7	4.2	4.2
Dodge	8,952	8,860	8,818	8,491	8,385	8,316	461	475	502	5.1	5.4	5.7
Fillmore	9,592	9,544	9,811	9,151	9,084	9,267	441	460	544	4.6	4.8	5.5
Freeborn	17,057	16,944	16,799	16,064	16,014	16,036	993	930	763	5.8	5.5	4.5
Goodhue	25,133	25,144	24,508	24,232	24,173	23,441	901	971	1,067	3.6	3.9	4.4
Houston	10,188	10,208	9,995	9,831	9,847	9,590	357	361	405	3.5	3.5	4.1
Mower	19,145	19,117	19,125	18,548	18,411	18,463	597	706	662	3.1	3.7	3.5
Olmsted	67,572	67,718	66,976	65,373	64,776	64,589	2,199	2,942	2,387	3.3	4.3	3.6
City of Rochester	45,139	45,341	44,712	43,463	43,066	42,942	1,676	2,275	1,770	3.7	5.0	4.0
Rice	29,044	29,032	28,977	28,024	27,860	27,682	1,020	1,172	1,295	3.5	4.0	4.5
Steele	17,278	17,232	16,563	16,680	16,461	15,882	598	771	681	3.5	4.5	4.1
Wabasha	8,953	9,132	9,108	8,541	8,694	8,569	412	438	539	4.6	4.8	5.9
Winona	29,429	29,244	26,756	28,542	28,183	25,715	887	1,061	1,041	3.0	3.6	3.9
Region 11	1,362,665	1,352,784	1,340,698	1,317,724	1,298,694	1,284,307	44,941	54,090	56,391	3.3	4.0	4.2
Anoka	148,881	147,655	146,473	143,268	141,199	139,635	5,613	6,456	6,838	3.8	4.4	4.7
Carver	29,263	28,954	28,853	28,482	28,071	27,760	781	883	1,093	2.7	3.0	3.8
Dakota	171,241	169,798	168,841	166,227	163,826	162,011	5,014	5,972	6,830	2.9	3.5	4.0
Hennepin	620,541	616,800	609,767	599,447	590,790	584,245	21,094	26,010	25,522	3.4	4.2	4.2
City of Bloomington	55,850	55,510	55,003	54,354	53,569	52,975	1,496	1,941	2,028	2.7	3.5	3.7
City of Minneapolis	210,150	209,190	206,299	201,948	199,032	196,827	8,202	10,158	9,472	3.9	4.9	4.6
Ramsey	272,123	270,188	267,875	263,505	259,700	256,823	8,618	10,488	11,052	3.2	3.9	4.1
City of St. Paul	144,787	143,828	142,758	139,319	137,308	135,787	5,468	6,520	6,971	3.8	4.5	4.9
Scott	34,519	34,061	34,001	33,377	32,895	32,531	1,142	1,166	1,470	3.3	3.4	4.3
Washington	86,097	85,328	84,888	83,418	82,213	81,302	2,679	3,115	3,586	3.1	3.7	4.2
Wisconsin Counties:												
Douglas (Wisc)	20,684	20,482	20,298	19,258	19,233	19,608	1,426	1,249	690	6.9	6.1	3.4
St. Croix (Wisc)	28,449	28,018	28,087	27,149	27,181	27,267	1,300	837	820	4.6	3.0	2.9



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A total of 1,527 areas in the U.S. have been designated for the year ending September 30, 1994. There are 12 Minnesota counties included:

Aitkin	Kanabec	Morrison
Cass	Lake	Pennington
Clearwater	Marshall	Pine
Itasca	Meeker	Red Lake

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State's Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate Remains Two Points Below the Nation's in December

Minnesota's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained unchanged from November at 4.4 percent, down from 4.9 percent a year ago. Minnesota's seasonally adjusted rate continues to be two percentage points below the national one of 6.4 percent, down from 6.5 percent in November and 7.3 percent a year ago.

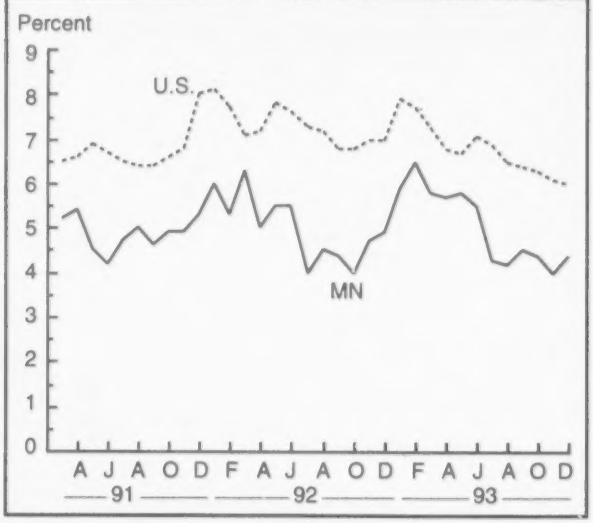
The unadjusted rates for Minnesota were 4.4 percent in December, 4 percent in November, and 4.9 percent a year ago. The corresponding national rates were 6 percent in December, 6.1 percent in November, and 7 percent a year ago.

This is the lowest December unemployment rate in the past four years. Minnesota's employment situation remains strong despite normal layoffs during December as construction work is cut back.

Regionally, the average unemployment rate was lowest in the seven-county Twin Cities region at 3.3 percent, unchanged from November, and highest in the northwest corner at 8.2 percent. Four counties shared the lowest December unemployment rate of 3.1 percent - Blue Earth, Dakota, Hennepin, and Ramsey. The unemployment rate rose to 16.6 percent, the highest rate among the counties, in Clearwater County from 13 percent in November.

From a separate monthly survey of employers, the number of nonfarm wage and salary jobs in Minnesota was up 57,200 from a year ago. This is almost 10 percent greater than the ten-year average job increase from December to December. The service industry continues to produce large employment gains with business and health services each adding over 5,000 jobs in the past year. The nation had a 1.8 percent increase from a year ago compared to the state's 2.6 percent increase.

Monthly Unemployment Rate: U.S. and MN (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



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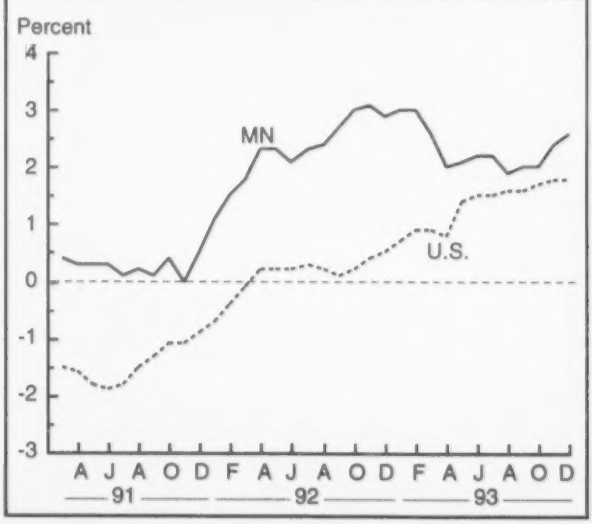
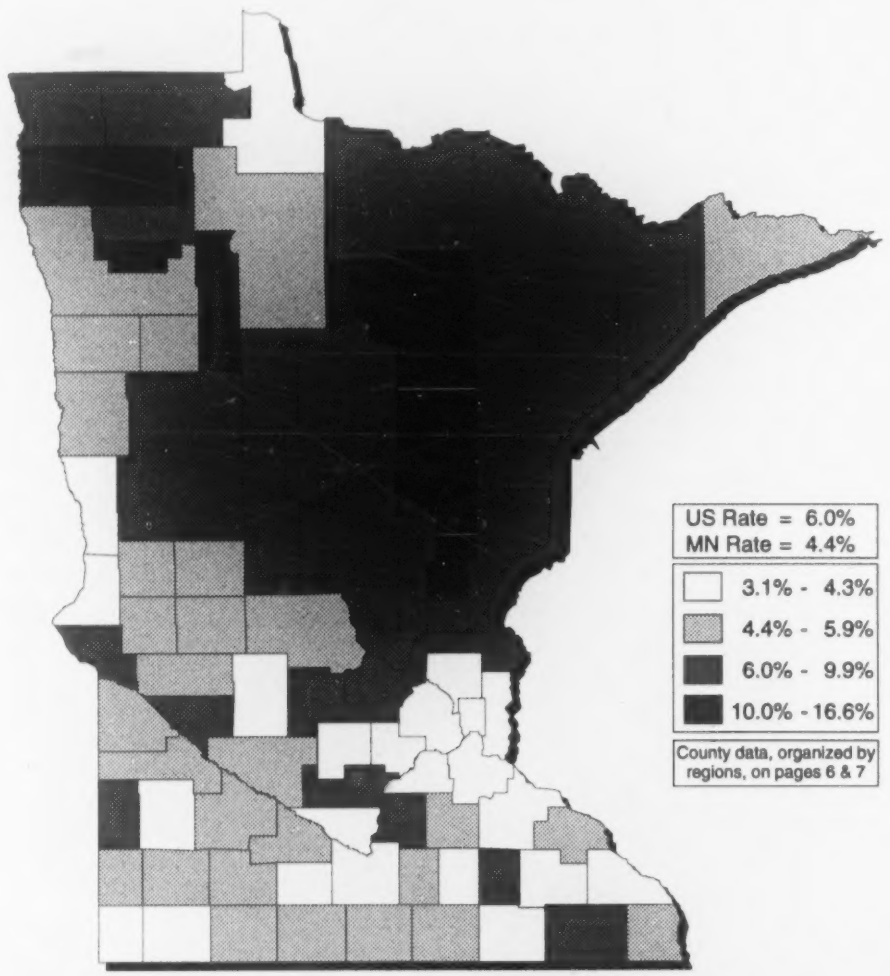


Metropolitan area job growth over the past year was:

St. Cloud	Increase of 3,400 jobs or 3.8 percent
Minneapolis-St.Paul	Increase of 29,700 jobs or 2.1 percent
Rochester	Increase of 300 jobs or 0.4 percent
Duluth-Superior	Increase of 300 jobs or 0.3 percent

The number of nonfarm wage and salary jobs remained virtually unchanged from November to December. Typically, there is an average decline of 4,400 jobs between these two months. Employment declines occurred in construction of 8,200 and in government of 2,200. The decline in government was in state government education and in other local government.

Minnesota Unemployment Rates by County
December 1993
(not seasonally adjusted)



Employer Survey of Minnesota Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Dec 1992
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	2285.7	2285.9	2228.5	0.0	2.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	482.5	490.3	476.1	-1.6	1.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	6.8	7.4	7.0	-7.8	-3.3	735.49	656.85	44.2	40.9	16.64	16.06
Metal Mining	5.4	5.5	5.8	-1.6	-7.0	772.52	674.73	44.5	40.5	17.36	16.66
Construction	75.5	83.8	72.4	-9.8	4.3	707.14	708.79	38.1	38.5	18.56	18.41
Manufacturing	400.1	399.2	396.6	0.2	0.9	522.50	511.18	41.8	41.9	12.50	12.20
Durable Goods	225.0	224.4	224.3	0.3	0.3	541.45	524.57	42.5	42.1	12.74	12.46
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	23.1	23.0	22.5	0.3	2.7	565.24	571.54	40.9	41.0	13.82	13.94
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	7.5	8.0	7.2	-6.3	4.5	594.69	556.37	45.5	43.5	13.07	12.79
Primary Metals	6.3	6.2	5.9	1.6	6.9	606.56	541.87	44.6	42.4	13.60	12.78
Fabricated Metals	30.5	30.3	32.0	0.7	-4.8	581.83	560.10	42.5	42.4	13.69	13.21
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	73.6	72.9	72.9	1.0	0.9	595.78	582.22	42.8	43.0	13.92	13.54
Computer and Office Equipment	29.8	29.7	30.8	0.3	-3.5	690.46	671.35	43.1	45.3	16.02	14.82
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	30.6	30.3	30.5	0.8	0.3	439.69	431.00	42.4	42.8	10.37	10.07
Transportation Equipment	11.9	12.1	11.1	-1.8	7.0	538.82	510.82	43.7	40.8	12.33	12.52
Instruments and Related Products	32.9	32.9	34.4	0.0	-4.2	479.10	456.62	42.1	41.1	11.38	11.11
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	8.7	8.6	7.8	0.3	10.3	439.50	436.05	40.1	40.3	10.96	10.82
Nondurable Goods	175.1	174.8	172.3	0.2	1.6	500.20	493.79	41.0	41.6	12.20	11.87
Food and Beverage Products	50.6	51.0	49.9	-0.8	1.5	446.37	445.17	41.6	42.6	10.73	10.45
Textile Mill Products and Apparel	5.1	5.2	4.9	-0.6	4.8	335.66	330.96	37.8	39.4	8.88	8.40
Paper and Allied Products	33.0	33.0	33.2	0.1	-0.7	633.18	617.95	42.1	42.5	15.04	14.54
Printing and Publishing	54.0	53.8	53.4	0.5	1.2	477.40	472.80	38.5	39.4	12.40	12.00
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	12.7	12.6	12.8	0.4	-0.4	706.73	660.70	44.9	43.9	15.74	15.05
Rubber, Plastics and Leather Products	19.6	19.3	18.2	1.7	8.0	461.58	454.01	42.0	41.5	10.99	10.94
SERVICE PRODUCING	1803.2	1795.6	1752.4	0.4	2.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	109.7	109.5	109.9	0.2	-0.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	75.3	75.0	75.3	0.4	0.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	28.3	28.3	27.6	0.1	2.7	448.14	429.23	38.5	36.1	11.64	11.89
Communications and Utilities	34.4	34.5	34.7	-0.4	-0.8	682.99	658.72	38.5	36.8	17.74	17.90
Trade	551.8	547.5	544.0	0.8	1.4	274.63	270.19	29.0	29.4	9.47	9.19
Wholesale Trade	134.8	134.7	132.5	0.1	1.7	473.55	466.29	38.5	38.6	12.30	12.08
Retail Trade	417.0	412.8	411.5	1.0	1.4	216.98	212.53	26.3	26.7	8.25	7.96
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	16.7	17.0	17.8	-1.6	-5.7	358.79	330.56	33.5	32.6	10.71	10.14
General Merchandise Stores	63.8	62.8	64.1	1.6	-0.4	226.44	223.85	28.7	29.3	7.89	7.64
Food Stores	56.4	55.5	56.4	1.6	0.0	249.61	261.94	28.3	29.3	8.82	8.94
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	44.4	44.4	43.3	0.2	2.7	328.15	323.00	33.9	34.0	9.68	9.50
Apparel and Accessories Stores	21.5	21.0	20.5	2.4	4.7	150.10	138.38	23.6	22.5	6.36	6.15
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	16.9	16.4	15.4	2.6	9.6	330.56	293.61	32.0	32.3	10.33	9.09
Eating and Drinking Places	137.3	137.2	135.4	0.1	1.3	134.87	131.84	20.1	20.6	6.71	6.40
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	138.1	137.2	131.4	0.6	5.1						
Finance	62.3	62.0	58.6	0.6	6.3						
Insurance	52.0	51.8	49.9	0.4	4.2						
Real Estate	23.7	23.4	22.9	1.3	3.8						
Services	637.6	633.1	609.7	0.7	4.6						
Personal Services	25.0	24.8	24.6	0.6	1.4						
Business Service	120.7	119.0	110.8	1.5	8.9						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	24.3	23.9	23.8	1.8	2.2						
Health Services	186.5	185.5	181.5	0.5	2.8						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	47.7	47.0	46.8	1.3	1.8						
Hospitals	56.6	56.7	56.8	-0.1	-0.3						
Legal Services	16.3	16.2	16.2	0.6	0.8						
Private Educational Services	36.5	36.4	36.2	0.3	0.7						
Government	366.0	368.2	357.3	-0.6	2.4						
Federal Government	34.7	34.5	34.4	0.5	0.7						
State Government	85.7	87.2	84.5	-1.7	1.3						
State Government Education	48.7	50.3	47.6	-3.2	2.2						
Local Government	245.7	246.5	238.4	-0.3	3.1						
Local Government Education	134.8	134.2	130.7	0.4	3.1						

Note: Not all industry sub-groups are shown for every major industry category.

* Totals may not add because of rounding.

** Average earnings data are on a "gross" basis and are derived from reports of payroll for full-time and part-time production or non-supervisory workers. The payroll is reported before deductions of any kind. Bonuses, retroactive pay, tips, payment in kind, and "fringe benefits" are excluded.

Employer Survey of Twin Cities Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Dec 1992
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	1455.9	1453.9	1426.2	0.1	2.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	303.9	307.1	303.7	-1.0	0.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	0.3	0.4	0.3	-22.0	-5.5	721.94	745.67	41.9	46.2	17.23	16.14
Construction	44.9	49.0	43.9	-8.2	2.5	776.48	768.86	38.1	38.1	20.38	20.18
Manufacturing	258.7	257.8	259.5	0.4	-0.3	552.60	540.47	41.8	41.8	13.22	12.93
Durable Goods	149.1	148.5	151.4	0.4	-1.6	569.99	553.92	42.6	41.9	13.38	13.22
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	9.3	9.2	8.6	0.4	7.5	635.50	651.85	41.0	41.1	15.50	15.86
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	2.6	2.8	2.6	-7.1	-0.3	673.86	580.32	45.5	41.6	14.81	13.95
Primary Metals	4.3	4.2	4.1	2.2	4.6	607.45	543.15	44.6	42.5	13.62	12.78
Fabricated Metals	22.4	22.3	23.8	0.4	-6.1	622.99	589.26	42.7	42.0	14.59	14.03
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	49.0	48.8	50.5	0.4	-2.8	608.52	608.33	42.2	42.6	14.42	14.28
Computer and Office Equipment	18.3	18.4	20.0	-0.6	-8.5	629.42	666.23	37.6	42.3	16.74	15.75
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	19.2	19.0	18.8	0.7	2.1	449.83	426.21	42.8	41.1	10.51	10.37
Transportation Equipment	5.9	5.8	5.7	2.1	3.2	646.66	665.41	43.4	42.6	14.90	15.62
Instruments and Related Products	30.5	30.4	31.8	0.3	-4.1	514.61	483.89	43.1	41.5	11.94	11.66
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	5.9	5.8	5.5	0.2	7.2	506.72	498.90	41.5	41.3	12.21	12.08
Nondurable Goods	109.6	109.3	108.1	0.3	1.4	530.40	521.25	40.8	41.6	13.00	12.53
Food and Beverage Products	18.4	18.3	18.7	0.7	-1.6	534.93	539.66	44.1	44.6	12.13	12.10
Paper and Allied Products	25.8	25.8	26.0	0.2	-0.6	570.21	543.54	40.7	41.6	14.01	13.21
Printing and Publishing	38.8	38.6	37.3	0.4	3.9	493.24	482.94	38.0	39.2	12.98	12.32
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	11.0	11.1	11.3	-0.5	-2.3	751.37	697.54	45.4	44.6	16.55	15.64
Rubber and Misc Plastics Products	12.5	12.4	12.1	0.8	3.6	479.12	468.86	42.4	41.9	11.30	11.19
SERVICE PRODUCING	1152.0	1146.8	1122.6	0.5	2.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	75.8	75.6	77.0	0.3	-1.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	54.7	54.4	55.6	0.4	-1.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	17.5	17.4	17.4	0.2	0.3	407.97	378.78	33.8	29.5	12.07	12.84
Communications and Utilities	21.2	21.2	21.3	0.1	-0.8	679.68	628.67	38.4	35.2	17.70	17.86
Trade	349.0	345.7	345.3	0.9	1.1	310.36	301.90	29.9	30.1	10.38	10.03
Wholesale Trade	87.3	87.2	87.1	0.2	0.2	530.40	521.04	39.0	39.0	13.60	13.36
Retail Trade	261.7	258.5	258.2	1.2	1.3	243.63	234.82	27.1	27.4	8.99	8.57
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	9.2	9.3	9.9	-0.7	-6.6	420.53	393.75	32.2	31.3	13.06	12.58
General Merchandise Stores	43.5	42.8	43.4	1.7	0.3	248.24	251.46	29.0	29.9	8.56	8.41
Food Stores	30.6	30.2	30.6	1.1	-0.1	294.41	288.50	30.7	30.4	9.59	9.49
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	25.1	25.1	24.5	-0.1	2.6	391.65	360.98	35.8	35.6	10.94	10.14
Apparel and Accessories Stores	14.9	14.5	13.8	2.9	8.0	148.48	134.59	23.2	21.5	6.40	6.26
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	12.1	11.7	11.3	3.3	7.1	393.34	347.19	32.4	32.6	12.14	10.65
Eating and Drinking Places	87.1	86.8	86.5	0.3	0.6	160.82	154.66	21.5	21.6	7.48	7.16
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	107.7	107.1	102.6	0.6	5.0						
Finance	45.9	45.7	42.8	0.6	7.3						
Insurance	43.3	43.2	41.7	0.3	3.8						
Real Estate	18.5	18.2	18.1	1.5	2.1						
Services	418.7	416.0	400.5	0.6	4.6						
Personal Services	17.2	17.1	16.8	0.6	2.3						
Business Services	100.0	98.8	92.4	1.3	8.3						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	17.6	17.3	17.2	1.9	2.5						
Health Services	107.1	106.6	104.1	0.5	2.9						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	24.6	24.4	24.5	0.9	0.2						
Hospitals	34.4	34.5	34.5	-0.2	-0.2						
Legal Services	13.1	13.1	13.1	0.3	0.2						
Private Educational Services	19.8	19.8	19.5	-0.2	1.7						
Government	200.7	202.3	197.2	-0.8	1.8						
Federal Government	21.7	21.6	21.8	0.6	-0.2						
State Government	55.6	56.0	54.9	-0.8	1.2						
State Government Education	31.8	32.4	31.3	-1.9	1.7						
Local Government	123.4	124.7	120.5	-1.0	2.5						
Local Government Education	69.2	68.9	67.4	0.4	2.7						

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Employer Survey of St. Cloud MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Nov 1993	Dec 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	91,020	91,091	87,652	-0.1	3.8
Goods Producing	19,322	19,669	18,785	-1.8	2.9
Construction and Mining	3,827	4,256	3,520	-10.1	8.7
Manufacturing	15,495	15,413	15,265	0.5	1.5
Durable Goods	8,621	8,556	8,484	0.8	1.6
Nondurable Goods	6,874	6,857	6,781	0.2	1.4
Service Producing	71,698	71,422	68,867	0.4	4.1
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	4,270	4,243	4,152	0.6	2.8
Trade	27,321	27,205	26,086	0.4	4.7
Wholesale Trade	4,730	4,730	4,370	0.0	8.2
Retail Trade	22,591	22,475	21,716	0.5	4.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,839	2,854	2,717	-0.5	4.5
Services	21,523	21,431	20,732	0.4	3.8
Health Services	6,282	6,222	6,353	1.0	-1.1
Other Services	15,241	15,209	14,379	0.2	6.0
Government	15,745	15,689	15,180	0.4	3.7

Employer Survey of Rochester MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Nov 1993	Dec 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	69,212	69,427	68,946	-0.3	0.4
Goods Producing	13,298	13,717	14,031	-3.1	-5.2
Construction and Mining	2,048	2,337	2,164	-12.4	-5.4
Manufacturing	11,250	11,380	11,867	-1.1	-5.2
Durable Goods	9,269	9,304	9,743	-0.4	-4.9
Nondurable Goods	1,981	2,076	2,124	-4.6	-6.7
Service Producing	55,914	55,710	54,915	0.4	1.8
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,169	2,159	2,183	0.5	-0.6
Trade	14,717	14,441	14,307	1.9	2.9
Wholesale Trade	2,058	2,063	2,076	-0.2	-0.9
Retail Trade	12,659	12,378	12,231	2.3	3.5
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	1,869	1,865	1,772	0.2	5.5
Services	29,908	29,977	29,422	-0.2	1.7
Health Services	19,803	19,805	19,522	0.0	1.4
Other Services	10,105	10,172	9,900	-0.7	2.1
Government	7,251	7,268	7,231	-0.2	0.3

Minnesota Job Growth Ranks Ninth Among States Again In December

- **Minnesota** continues to generate new jobs at a faster pace than the nation with a 2.6 percent increase from December 1992 to December 1993. The corresponding national rate was 1.8 percent during the same period. Minnesota's ranking for annual job growth remained the same as last month--ninth among all states.

- The **Twin Cities** added 30,000 jobs since December 1992, a 2.1 percent increase. Strong gains in services, retail trade, construction, finance, and insurance, outpaced declines in durable goods manufacturing and transportation.

- **St. Cloud** continues to take top honors among the state's metropolitan areas in job growth, with a 3.8 percent annual increase (3,400 jobs). St. Cloud continually ranks in the top twenty Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA's) in the U.S. for annual job growth.

- In **Rochester**, nonagricultural jobs increased 0.4 percent over the year (300 jobs). Retail trade, health services and other services are all showing gains, while manufacturing and construction have posted declines.

- **Duluth-Superior** gained 300 total nonfarm jobs since December 1992. Mining was up 15 percent (700 jobs) from a year ago, while construction dropped 13.7 percent (550 jobs).

Employer Survey of Duluth and Duluth-Superior MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

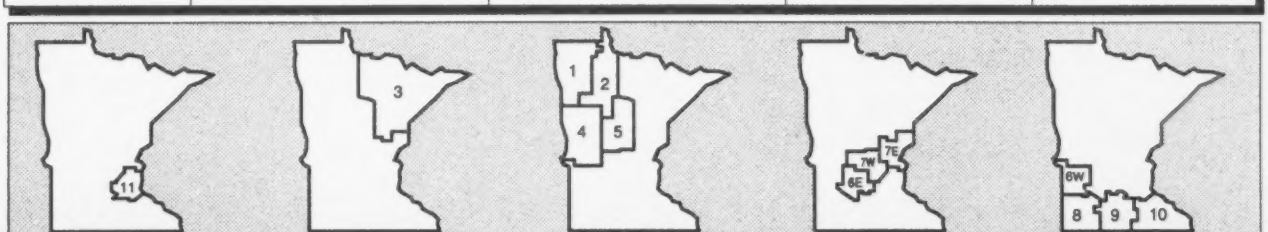
Industry	Duluth					Duluth-Superior MSA				
	Jobs			% Chg. From		Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Nov 1993	Dec 1992
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	51,547	51,757	52,039	-0.4	-0.9	102,079	102,264	101,794	-0.2	0.3
Goods Producing	4,922	5,088	5,538	-3.3	-11.1	17,275	17,402	17,104	-0.7	1.0
Mining	——	Combined with construction		——		5,422	5,415	4,714	0.1	15.0
Construction	1,426	1,529	1,780	-6.7	-19.9	3,434	3,564	3,980	-3.6	-13.7
Manufacturing	3,496	3,559	3,758	-1.8	-7.0	8,419	8,423	8,410	0.0	0.1
Durable Goods	1,308	1,319	1,534	-0.8	-14.7	4,596	4,589	4,640	0.2	-0.9
Nondurable Goods	2,188	2,240	2,224	-2.3	-1.6	3,823	3,834	3,770	-0.3	1.4
Service Producing	46,625	46,669	46,501	-0.1	0.3	84,804	84,862	84,690	-0.1	0.1
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,938	2,952	3,096	-0.5	-5.1	5,686	5,706	5,972	-0.4	-4.8
Trade	12,943	12,829	12,822	0.9	0.9	26,568	26,488	26,208	0.3	1.4
Wholesale Trade	2,093	2,083	2,056	0.5	1.8	4,271	4,271	4,222	0.0	1.2
Retail Trade	10,850	10,746	10,766	1.0	0.8	22,297	22,217	21,986	0.4	1.4
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,283	2,252	2,271	1.4	0.5	3,458	3,436	3,501	0.6	-1.2
Services	16,228	16,153	16,161	0.5	0.4	27,152	27,150	27,284	0.0	-0.5
Health Services	6,922	6,900	6,678	0.3	3.7	11,136	11,122	10,938	0.1	1.8
Other Services	9,306	9,253	9,483	0.6	-1.9	16,016	16,028	16,346	-0.1	-2.0
Government	12,233	12,483	12,151	-2.0	0.7	21,940	22,082	21,725	-0.6	1.0

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992
United States ('000s)												
(Seasonally adjusted)	128,898	128,662	127,469	120,661	120,332	118,155	8,237	8,330	9,314	6.4	6.5	7.3
(Unadjusted)	128,401	128,521	126,902	120,636	120,632	118,073	7,764	7,890	8,829	6.0	6.1	7.0
Minnesota												
(Seasonally adjusted)	2,496,706	2,489,155	2,467,424	2,385,964	2,378,988	2,346,126	110,742	110,167	121,298	4.4	4.4	4.9
(Unadjusted)	2,482,182	2,486,545	2,455,258	2,374,197	2,387,538	2,334,043	107,985	99,007	121,215	4.4	4.0	4.9
Metropolitan Statistical Areas												
Mpls.-St. Paul MSA	1,457,768	1,459,318	1,444,827	1,407,348	1,409,789	1,385,299	50,420	49,529	59,528	3.5	3.4	4.1
Duluth-Superior MSA	116,303	116,694	116,409	108,823	109,627	108,701	7,480	7,067	7,708	6.4	6.1	6.6
St. Cloud MSA	113,338	112,605	109,782	107,182	107,768	103,961	6,156	4,837	5,821	5.4	4.3	5.3
Rochester MSA	67,067	67,412	67,011	64,777	65,211	64,854	2,290	2,201	2,157	3.4	3.3	3.2
Region 1	44,234	44,327	44,270	40,599	41,841	40,450	3,635	2,486	3,820	8.2	5.6	8.6
Kittson	2,392	2,415	2,493	2,197	2,259	2,266	195	156	227	8.2	6.5	9.1
Marshall	4,946	4,835	4,752	4,277	4,372	4,005	669	463	747	13.5	9.6	15.7
Norman	3,517	3,609	3,479	3,318	3,449	3,224	199	160	255	5.7	4.4	7.3
Pennington	7,169	7,437	7,313	6,529	7,096	6,548	640	341	765	8.9	4.6	10.5
Polk	15,353	15,480	15,032	14,498	14,707	14,034	855	773	998	5.6	5.0	6.6
Red Lake	1,676	1,615	1,673	1,442	1,479	1,364	234	136	309	14.0	8.4	18.5
Roseau	9,181	8,936	9,528	8,338	8,479	9,009	843	457	519	9.2	5.1	5.4
Region 2	36,970	36,997	35,667	34,306	34,547	32,653	2,664	2,450	3,014	7.2	6.6	8.5
Beltrami	18,813	18,931	18,271	17,728	17,872	17,124	1,085	1,059	1,147	5.8	5.6	6.3
Clearwater	3,916	3,690	3,792	3,265	3,210	3,033	651	480	759	16.6	13.0	20.0
Hubbard	7,927	8,112	7,813	7,299	7,530	7,064	628	582	749	7.9	7.2	9.6
Lake of the Woods	2,123	1,994	2,237	2,055	1,899	2,145	68	95	92	3.2	4.8	4.1
Mahnomen	4,191	4,270	3,554	3,959	4,036	3,287	232	234	267	5.5	5.5	7.5
Region 3	151,499	151,850	152,305	140,967	141,630	140,391	10,532	10,220	11,914	7.0	6.7	7.8
Aitkin	6,024	6,171	5,767	5,424	5,631	5,093	600	540	674	10.0	8.8	11.7
Carlton	14,101	14,263	14,443	13,138	13,374	13,316	963	889	1,127	6.8	6.2	7.8
Cook	3,381	3,319	3,356	3,227	3,163	3,187	154	156	169	4.6	4.7	5.0
Itasca	19,462	18,887	18,874	17,425	16,836	17,086	2,037	2,051	1,788	10.5	10.9	9.5
Koochiching	8,462	8,467	8,822	7,863	7,832	8,144	599	635	678	7.1	7.5	7.7
Lake	4,793	4,738	4,705	4,482	4,413	4,272	311	325	433	6.5	6.9	9.2
St. Louis	95,276	96,005	96,338	89,408	90,381	89,293	5,868	5,624	7,045	6.2	5.9	7.3
City of Duluth	41,792	42,080	41,993	39,855	40,289	39,804	1,937	1,791	2,189	4.6	4.3	5.2
Bal of St. Louis Cnty	53,484	53,925	54,345	49,553	50,092	49,489	3,931	3,833	4,856	7.3	7.1	8.9
Region 4	102,286	103,070	102,051	96,532	98,146	95,863	5,754	4,924	6,188	5.6	4.8	6.1
Becker	13,590	13,510	13,682	12,452	12,521	12,338	1,138	989	1,344	8.4	7.3	9.8
Clay	27,678	27,740	27,362	26,412	26,657	26,251	1,266	1,083	1,111	4.6	3.9	4.1
Douglas	16,338	16,715	16,328	15,584	15,973	15,401	754	742	927	4.6	4.4	5.7
Grant	3,164	3,201	2,971	2,982	3,065	2,764	182	136	207	5.8	4.2	7.0
Otter Tail	25,938	25,970	26,321	24,258	24,675	24,523	1,680	1,295	1,798	6.5	5.0	6.8
Pope	4,954	4,987	4,848	4,678	4,760	4,549	276	227	299	5.6	4.6	6.2
Stevens	5,234	5,338	5,305	4,990	5,135	5,042	244	203	263	4.7	3.8	5.0
Traverse	1,876	1,944	1,957	1,796	1,849	1,845	80	95	112	4.3	4.9	5.7
Wilkin	3,514	3,665	3,277	3,380	3,511	3,150	134	154	127	3.8	4.2	3.9
Region 5	67,674	68,152	65,693	62,447	63,628	60,041	5,227	4,524	5,652	7.7	6.6	8.6
Cass	10,849	10,958	9,617	9,899	10,101	8,536	950	857	1,081	8.8	7.8	11.2
Crow Wing	25,346	25,726	25,014	23,667	24,128	23,153	1,679	1,598	1,861	6.6	6.2	7.4
Morrison	15,248	15,206	15,223	13,950	14,179	13,766	1,298	1,027	1,457	8.5	6.8	9.6
Todd	11,118	11,078	10,738	10,208	10,382	9,927	910	696	811	8.2	6.3	7.6
Wadena	5,113	5,184	5,101	4,723	4,838	4,659	390	346	442	7.6	6.7	8.7
Region 6E	58,198	58,449	58,528	55,303	55,870	55,203	2,895	2,579	3,325	5.0	4.4	5.7
Kandiyohi	22,059	22,064	21,393	21,145	21,258	20,423	914	806	970	4.1	3.7	4.5
McLeod	18,502	18,524	18,146	17,741	17,758	17,185	761	766	961	4.1	4.1	5.3
Meeker	8,099	8,184	8,143	7,400	7,629	7,355	699	555	788	8.6	6.8	9.7
Renville	9,538	9,677	10,846	9,017	9,225	10,240	521	452	606	5.5	4.7	5.6
Region 6W	25,230	25,330	24,314	23,771	24,220	22,855	1,459	1,110	1,459	5.8	4.4	6.0
Big Stone	2,668	2,675	2,824	2,479	2,517	2,632	189	158	192	7.1	5.9	6.8
Chippewa	7,037	7,028	6,721	6,589	6,668	6,339	448	360	382	6.4	5.1	5.7
Lac Qui Parle	3,961	4,021	4,033	3,780	3,843	3,817	181	178	216	4.6	4.4	5.4
Swift	5,178	5,164	4,895	4,896	4,937	4,566	282	227	329	5.4	4.4	6.7
Yellow Medicine	6,386	6,442	5,841	6,027	6,255	5,501	359	187	340	5.6	2.9	5.8

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992	Dec 1993	Nov 1993	Dec 1992
Region 7E	60,984	60,780	58,766	56,624	57,357	54,037	4,360	3,423	4,729	7.1	5.6	8.0
Chisago	16,157	15,805	16,041	14,990	15,022	14,755	1,167	783	1,286	7.2	5.0	8.0
Isanti	13,624	13,478	13,525	12,769	12,796	12,569	855	682	956	6.3	5.1	7.1
Kanabec	6,059	6,095	6,007	5,423	5,554	5,355	636	541	652	10.5	8.9	10.9
Mille Lacs	11,958	11,997	11,280	11,230	11,378	10,486	728	619	794	6.1	5.2	7.0
Pine	13,186	13,405	11,913	12,212	12,607	10,872	974	798	1,041	7.4	6.0	8.7
Region 7W	152,203	150,967	148,379	143,727	144,391	139,933	8,476	6,576	8,446	5.6	4.4	5.7
Benton	18,254	18,089	17,594	17,103	17,196	16,589	1,151	893	1,005	6.3	4.9	5.7
Sherburne	25,411	25,019	24,630	23,697	23,827	22,985	1,714	1,192	1,645	6.7	4.8	6.7
Stearns	69,674	69,497	67,558	66,382	66,745	64,387	3,292	2,752	3,171	4.7	4.0	4.7
Wright	38,864	38,362	38,597	36,545	36,623	35,972	2,319	1,739	2,625	6.0	4.5	6.8
Region 8	65,710	65,585	63,457	62,720	63,186	60,381	2,990	2,399	3,076	4.6	3.7	4.8
Cottonwood	6,887	6,935	6,508	6,583	6,640	6,153	304	295	355	4.4	4.3	5.5
Jackson	5,570	5,675	5,382	5,315	5,449	5,072	255	226	310	4.6	4.0	5.8
Lincoln	3,197	3,108	3,110	2,983	2,964	2,885	214	144	225	6.7	4.6	7.2
Lyon	14,985	14,862	13,951	14,390	14,488	13,363	595	374	588	4.0	2.5	4.2
Murray	4,805	4,758	4,666	4,525	4,531	4,380	280	227	286	5.8	4.8	6.1
Nobles	12,106	12,292	11,915	11,654	11,856	11,427	452	436	488	3.7	3.5	4.1
Pipestone	5,382	5,339	5,182	5,078	5,099	4,883	304	240	299	5.6	4.5	5.8
Redwood	8,214	8,085	7,992	7,785	7,774	7,636	429	311	356	5.2	3.8	4.5
Rock	4,564	4,531	4,751	4,407	4,385	4,582	157	146	169	3.4	3.2	3.6
Region 9	115,425	115,677	115,188	110,183	111,276	109,279	5,242	4,401	5,909	4.5	3.8	5.1
Blue Earth	31,884	31,704	31,540	30,885	30,844	30,375	999	860	1,165	3.1	2.7	3.7
Brown	14,403	14,577	14,155	13,684	14,073	13,398	719	504	757	5.0	3.5	5.3
Faribault	7,422	7,587	7,554	7,010	7,203	7,055	412	384	499	5.6	5.1	6.6
Le Sueur	11,464	11,284	11,360	10,631	10,639	10,397	833	645	963	7.3	5.7	8.5
Martin	11,504	11,355	11,722	10,858	10,788	10,993	646	567	729	5.6	5.0	6.2
Nicollet	16,929	16,355	16,665	16,393	16,371	16,122	536	484	543	3.2	2.9	3.3
Sibley	6,423	6,317	6,425	5,958	5,982	5,932	465	335	493	7.2	5.3	7.7
Waseca	9,015	9,441	9,386	8,606	9,057	8,895	409	384	491	4.5	4.1	5.2
Watonwan	6,381	6,557	6,381	6,158	6,319	6,112	223	238	269	3.5	3.6	4.2
Region 10	241,727	242,156	238,196	231,616	233,263	228,189	10,111	8,893	10,007	4.2	3.7	4.2
Dodge	8,941	8,950	8,754	8,374	8,489	8,223	567	461	531	6.3	5.2	6.1
Fillmore	9,541	9,591	9,675	8,955	9,148	9,057	586	443	618	6.1	4.6	6.4
Freeborn	17,127	17,059	16,835	16,200	16,059	16,120	927	1,000	715	5.4	5.9	4.2
Goodhue	25,242	25,126	24,846	24,319	24,224	23,868	923	902	978	3.7	3.6	3.9
Houston	10,144	10,187	9,944	9,659	9,828	9,425	485	359	519	4.8	3.5	5.2
Mower	19,088	19,141	19,257	18,367	18,542	18,538	721	599	719	3.8	3.1	3.7
Olmsted	67,067	67,412	67,011	64,777	65,211	64,854	2,290	2,201	2,157	3.4	3.3	3.2
City of Rochester	44,708	45,033	44,616	43,067	43,356	43,118	1,641	1,677	1,498	3.7	3.7	3.4
Rice	29,158	29,036	29,370	27,810	28,015	27,934	1,348	1,021	1,436	4.6	3.5	4.9
Steele	17,188	17,275	16,710	16,561	16,675	15,956	627	600	754	3.6	3.5	4.5
Wabasha	8,987	8,951	8,985	8,513	8,539	8,452	474	412	533	5.3	4.6	5.9
Winona	29,244	29,428	26,809	28,081	28,533	25,762	1,163	895	1,047	4.0	3.0	3.9
Region 11	1,360,041	1,363,204	1,348,445	1,315,399	1,318,183	1,294,769	44,642	45,021	53,676	3.3	3.3	4.0
Anoka	149,180	148,954	147,600	143,015	143,318	140,772	6,165	5,636	6,828	4.1	3.8	4.6
Carver	29,437	29,280	29,150	28,432	28,492	27,986	1,005	788	1,164	3.4	2.7	4.0
Dakota	171,210	171,309	170,052	165,934	166,285	163,331	5,276	5,024	6,721	3.1	2.9	4.0
Hennepin	617,543	620,769	612,248	598,389	599,655	589,004	19,154	21,114	23,244	3.1	3.4	3.8
City of Bloomington	55,641	55,871	55,225	54,258	54,373	53,407	1,383	1,498	1,818	2.5	2.7	3.3
City of Minneapolis	208,745	210,228	206,862	201,592	202,018	198,430	7,153	8,210	8,432	3.4	3.9	4.1
Ramsey	271,493	272,230	269,222	263,040	263,597	258,915	8,453	8,633	10,307	3.1	3.2	3.8
City of St. Paul	144,400	144,845	143,329	139,074	139,368	136,893	5,326	5,477	6,436	3.7	3.8	4.5
Scott	34,759	34,518	34,525	33,318	33,389	32,796	1,441	1,129	1,729	4.1	3.3	5.0
Washington	86,419	86,144	85,648	83,271	83,447	81,965	3,148	2,697	3,683	3.6	3.1	4.3
Wisconsin Counties:												
Douglas (Wisc)	21,027	20,689	20,071	19,415	19,246	19,408	1,612	1,443	663	7.7	7.0	3.3
St. Croix (Wisc)	29,081	28,471	28,220	27,644	27,165	27,234	1,437	1,306	986	4.9	4.6	3.5



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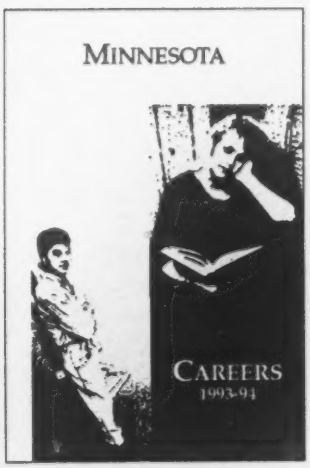

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Only Four States Have Lower January Unemployment Rates Than Minnesota

Minnesota's January unemployment rate of 4.5 percent ranks fifth lowest nationally, while continuing to register well below the national rate of 6.7 percent.

Minnesota's rate, seasonally adjusted, is down from 4.8 percent in December and 5.1 percent last January. The corresponding national rates were 6.4 percent in December and 7.1 percent a year ago.

The unadjusted unemployment rates for Minnesota were 5.3 percent in January, 4.5 percent in December, and 6 percent a year ago. The comparable national rates were 7.3 percent in January, 6 percent in December, and 7.9 percent a year ago.

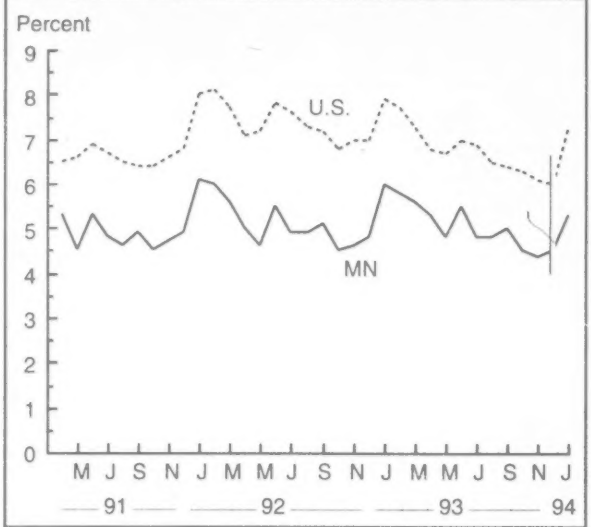
This favorable unemployment ranking shows that Minnesota's employment picture continues to remain strong compared to other states.

The four states referred to with seasonally adjusted employment rates below Minnesota's in January are South Dakota at 2.3 percent, Nebraska at 2.5 percent, Utah at 3.2 percent, and North Carolina at 4 percent. The states with the highest unemployment rates are West Virginia at 11 percent, Rhode Island at 10.5 percent, California at 10.1 percent, Maine at 9.5 percent, and Alaska at 8.6 percent.

Regionally, the average unemployment rate was lowest in the seven-county Twin Cities region at 3.8 percent and highest in the northern headwaters region which includes Bemidji at 10.8 percent. Hennepin County had the lowest unemployment rate in January at 3.5 percent, up from 3.2 percent in December. The unemployment rate rose to 24.4 percent in Clearwater County, the highest rate among the counties, from 18.3 percent in December.

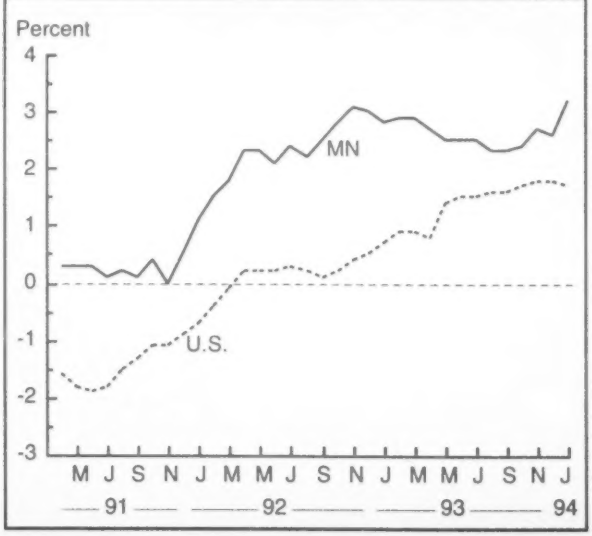
Beginning in January 1994, the state unemployment rates are revised due to changes in the Current Population Survey and a new methodology for producing labor force estimates. This has resulted in a revision of the historical series of the state from 1978 to 1993. For labor market areas within the state, the unemployment rates have been recalculated from 1990 to 1993. Thus, the December and January 1993 numbers presented above are not the same as those released in earlier months.

Monthly Unemployment Rate: U.S. and MN (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



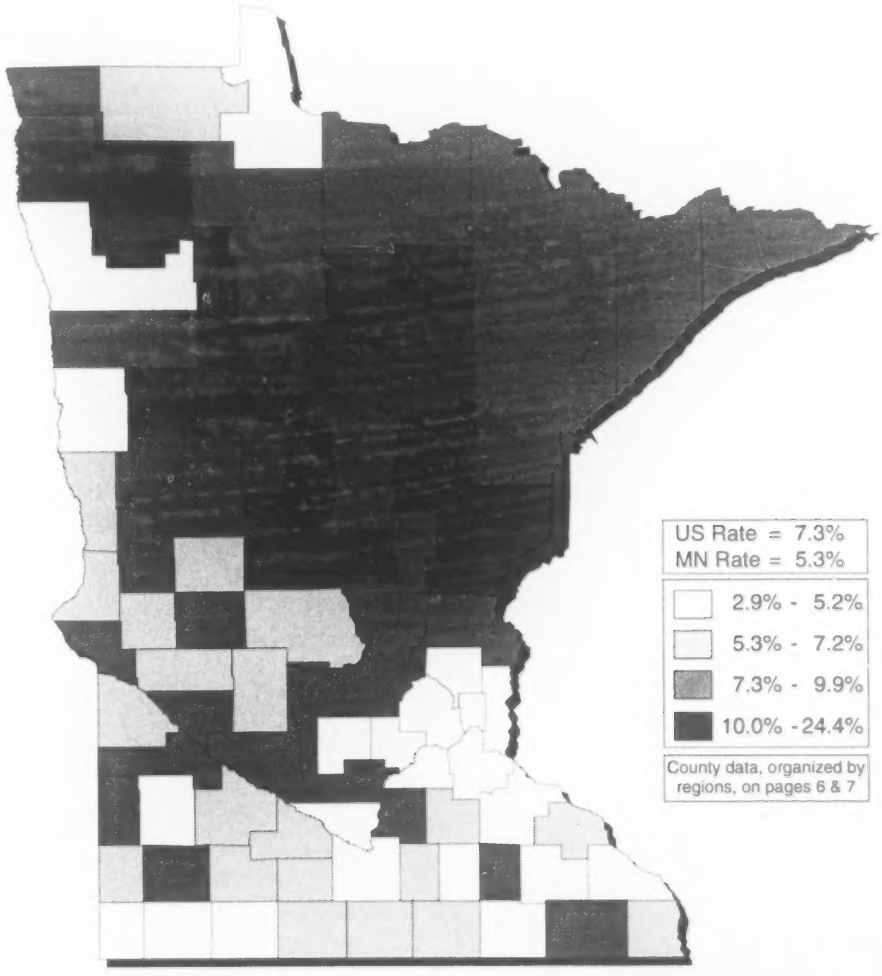
Starting in January 1994 unemployment rate based on new survey methodology.

Total Nonfarm Jobs, U.S. and MN Percent Change From Year Ago



Metropolitan area job growth over the past year was:	
St Cloud	Increase of 1,700 jobs or 2.3 percent.
Minneapolis-St. Paul	Increase of 44,400 jobs or 3.2 percent.
Rochester	Increase of 1,600 jobs or 2.4 percent.
Duluth-Superior	Increase of 1,100 jobs or 1.1 percent.

Minnesota Unemployment Rates by County
January 1994
(not seasonally adjusted)



Employer Survey of Minnesota Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Jan 1993
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	2,241.2	2,289.3	2,172.1	-2.1	3.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	478.1	490.7	465.9	-2.6	2.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	6.6	7.0	6.7	-6.5	-2.6	769.70	677.82	43.0	42.9	17.90	15.80
Metal Mining	5.4	5.4	5.7	-0.6	-5.3	813.58	704.14	43.6	43.6	18.66	16.15
Construction	67.5	76.7	63.5	-12.0	6.4	690.03	689.66	36.9	37.4	18.70	18.44
Manufacturing	404.0	407.0	395.7	-0.7	2.1	517.91	495.31	41.4	40.8	12.51	12.14
Durable Goods	231.4	231.5	225.6	-0.1	2.5	531.71	505.12	41.9	41.0	12.69	12.32
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	23.8	23.6	22.6	0.9	5.2	536.98	509.36	39.6	38.5	13.56	13.23
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	7.6	8.1	6.8	-6.6	12.3	588.90	557.66	45.3	42.7	13.00	13.06
Primary Metals	6.2	6.2	5.9	-0.6	4.7	597.82	549.83	43.7	42.1	13.68	13.06
Fabricated Metals	31.6	31.8	31.5	-0.5	0.4	582.43	544.66	42.7	41.2	13.64	13.22
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	75.9	75.6	75.2	0.4	0.9	587.00	567.75	42.2	41.9	13.91	13.55
Computer and Office Equipment	30.3	30.3	31.4	0.1	-3.5	659.60	658.94	41.8	42.9	15.78	15.36
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	30.6	30.7	30.0	-0.3	2.1	434.84	406.59	42.3	40.7	10.28	9.99
Transportation Equipment	12.1	11.9	11.0	1.6	10.0	501.74	492.68	40.3	40.7	12.45	12.11
Instruments and Related Products	34.4	34.3	34.4	0.1	0.0	475.03	453.95	42.3	41.8	11.23	10.86
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	9.3	9.4	8.4	-1.2	10.8	428.76	412.34	39.7	38.9	10.80	10.60
Nondurable Goods	172.6	175.5	170.0	-1.6	1.5	501.84	483.95	40.9	40.5	12.27	11.92
Food and Beverage Products	48.5	50.3	49.2	-3.6	-1.5	447.28	428.57	41.3	40.7	10.83	10.53
Textile Mill Products and Apparel	5.2	5.4	4.7	-4.0	11.7	333.59	322.76	39.2	37.4	8.51	8.63
Paper and Allied Products	32.9	33.0	33.4	-0.1	-1.3	632.94	611.90	42.0	42.2	15.07	14.50
Printing and Publishing	54.4	54.6	52.0	-0.3	4.7	482.02	460.50	38.5	38.6	12.52	11.93
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	12.6	12.7	12.4	-1.0	1.2	695.90	653.17	44.1	43.4	15.78	15.05
Rubber, Plastics and Leather Products	19.1	19.5	18.4	-2.4	3.7	464.62	455.26	42.2	41.5	11.01	10.97
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,763.1	1,798.6	1,706.3	-2.0	3.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	109.0	111.3	108.6	-2.1	0.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	75.0	77.2	74.3	-2.9	0.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	27.8	29.3	26.8	-5.1	4.0	429.85	418.05	39.4	35.7	10.91	11.71
Communications and Utilities	34.0	34.1	34.3	-0.4	-1.0	669.33	650.83	37.0	36.4	18.09	17.88
Trade	534.1	552.2	520.9	-3.3	2.5	274.75	265.17	28.8	28.3	9.54	9.37
Wholesale Trade	131.8	132.4	126.7	-0.5	4.0	470.63	464.18	37.5	37.8	12.55	12.28
Retail Trade	402.3	419.7	394.2	-4.2	2.0	216.15	206.30	26.2	25.5	8.25	8.09
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	16.7	17.4	15.9	-4.2	4.6	364.06	331.44	33.4	31.9	10.90	10.39
General Merchandise Stores	57.8	62.8	57.6	-8.1	0.3	216.53	220.70	27.1	28.7	7.99	7.69
Food Stores	54.8	57.2	55.6	-4.1	-1.4	241.46	250.78	27.1	27.2	8.91	9.22
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	45.1	45.1	42.7	-0.1	5.5	336.86	330.95	34.8	34.8	9.68	9.51
Apparel and Accessories Stores	20.6	22.2	21.0	-7.6	-2.0	141.03	125.63	21.4	20.1	6.59	6.25
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	16.9	17.6	15.9	-4.1	6.3	320.85	307.20	31.0	32.1	10.35	9.57
Eating and Drinking Places	134.3	137.9	129.6	-2.6	3.6	135.25	122.03	21.4	19.4	6.32	6.29
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	138.3	139.0	131.8	-0.5	4.9						
Finance	63.2	63.2	59.4	0.1	6.4						
Insurance	52.8	52.8	50.4	-0.1	4.6						
Real Estate	22.3	23.0	22.0	-3.1	1.6						
Services	618.0	628.3	590.8	-1.6	4.6						
Personal Services	24.5	25.0	23.9	-2.0	2.6						
Business Service	112.6	116.1	103.8	-3.1	8.5						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	23.7	23.8	22.9	0.0	3.7						
Health Services	183.1	184.4	180.0	-0.7	1.7						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	46.9	47.2	45.6	-0.6	2.7						
Hospitals	55.5	55.8	56.4	-0.6	-1.6						
Legal Services	16.1	16.3	16.2	-0.8	-0.3						
Private Educational Services	34.2	37.0	33.4	-7.4	2.6						
Government	363.9	367.8	354.1	-1.1	2.8						
Federal Government	34.1	34.3	33.5	-0.7	1.7						
State Government	85.8	86.4	85.9	-0.8	-0.1						
State Government Education	48.3	49.1	49.3	-1.6	-2.0						
Local Government	244.0	247.1	234.7	-1.2	4.0						
Local Government Education	132.5	135.5	127.3	-2.2	4.1						

Note: Not all industry sub-groups are shown for every major industry category.

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Employer Survey of Twin Cities Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Jan 1993
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	1,451.9	1,481.5	1,407.5	-2.0	3.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	307.3	313.4	302.7	-2.0	1.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	0.3	0.4	0.3	-24.7	-5.1	694.65	875.56	42.1	53.0	16.50	16.52
Construction	41.7	46.9	41.2	-11.1	1.3	755.16	738.29	37.2	37.1	20.30	19.90
Manufacturing	265.3	266.1	261.2	-0.3	1.5	549.12	524.22	41.6	40.7	13.20	12.88
Durable Goods	154.1	154.2	152.4	-0.1	1.1	560.28	534.89	42.0	40.8	13.34	13.11
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	9.6	9.5	9.0	0.7	5.6	606.95	574.17	39.8	37.7	15.25	15.23
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	2.9	3.1	2.6	-7.5	11.4	650.60	598.92	43.9	42.0	14.82	14.26
Primary Metals	4.7	4.8	4.6	-0.3	3.7	598.56	556.75	43.5	42.5	13.76	13.10
Fabricated Metals	23.7	23.9	23.9	-0.8	-0.8	625.79	577.04	42.6	41.1	14.69	14.04
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	51.9	51.7	51.9	0.3	0.0	599.89	577.94	41.4	40.7	14.49	14.20
Computer and Office Equipment	19.1	19.1	20.0	0.3	-4.1	634.12	647.98	38.2	39.9	16.60	16.24
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	19.1	19.1	18.1	-0.1	5.3	434.52	420.42	42.6	39.7	10.20	10.59
Transportation Equipment	5.6	5.5	5.2	1.0	7.8	615.38	616.77	40.7	40.9	15.12	15.08
Instruments and Related Products	30.8	30.7	31.2	0.2	-1.5	502.04	480.95	42.8	42.3	11.73	11.37
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	5.9	6.0	5.9	-1.3	-0.9	501.70	482.45	41.6	41.2	12.06	11.71
Nondurable Goods	111.2	111.9	108.8	-0.6	2.2	532.93	511.60	40.9	40.7	13.03	12.57
Food and Beverage Products	19.2	19.4	19.0	-1.2	0.8	517.37	515.31	42.9	42.8	12.06	12.04
Paper and Allied Products	26.1	26.1	26.2	-0.2	-0.4	574.41	537.43	41.0	40.9	14.01	13.14
Printing and Publishing	39.2	39.2	37.5	0.1	4.6	500.64	476.35	38.6	38.2	12.97	12.47
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	11.4	11.5	11.1	-1.0	2.6	753.79	688.60	45.3	44.0	16.64	15.65
Rubber and Misc Plastics Products	12.5	12.7	12.4	-1.6	0.8	473.62	470.38	41.4	41.7	11.44	11.28
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,144.6	1,168.1	1,104.8	-2.0	3.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	76.7	77.9	77.3	-1.5	-0.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	55.1	56.2	55.7	-1.9	-1.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	18.0	18.7	17.5	-3.8	3.0	455.58	392.78	36.8	29.4	12.38	13.36
Communications and Utilities	21.6	21.7	21.6	-0.4	0.2	677.37	647.62	37.3	35.8	18.16	18.09
Trade	342.8	354.3	333.0	-3.3	2.9	307.65	294.34	29.3	28.8	10.50	10.22
Wholesale Trade	87.8	87.9	84.2	-0.2	4.2	526.93	508.57	37.8	37.7	13.94	13.49
Retail Trade	255.0	266.4	248.8	-4.3	2.5	239.50	228.64	26.7	26.1	8.97	8.76
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	9.5	9.8	9.0	-3.4	5.1	399.00	380.75	32.1	29.7	12.43	12.82
General Merchandise Stores	37.9	41.8	37.7	-9.3	0.5	245.59	253.38	28.1	29.6	8.74	8.56
Food Stores	31.7	32.9	31.9	-3.8	-0.5	274.18	280.52	28.8	29.1	9.52	9.64
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	26.0	26.0	24.7	0.0	5.6	401.13	375.80	36.4	36.1	11.02	10.41
Apparel and Accessories Stores	14.4	15.3	14.7	-6.2	-2.1	143.01	121.22	21.8	19.0	6.56	6.38
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	11.5	12.2	10.9	-5.3	6.0	400.88	362.88	31.1	32.4	12.89	11.20
Eating and Drinking Places	87.1	89.2	84.4	-2.3	3.2	151.55	145.52	21.9	20.1	6.92	7.24
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	109.6	110.1	104.0	-0.4	5.4						
Finance	47.5	47.4	44.0	0.2	8.1						
Insurance	44.5	44.5	42.8	0.0	3.8						
Real Estate	17.6	18.2	17.2	-3.2	2.4						
Services	410.3	417.8	390.0	-1.8	5.2						
Personal Services	17.3	17.7	16.7	-2.3	4.0						
Business Services	94.4	97.3	87.1	-3.0	8.3						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	17.5	17.5	16.9	0.0	3.2						
Health Services	107.1	108.0	104.4	-0.8	2.6						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	25.4	25.5	24.7	-0.3	3.0						
Hospitals	33.3	33.6	34.0	-0.9	-2.0						
Legal Services	13.1	13.2	13.1	-0.7	-0.1						
Private Educational Services	18.2	19.8	17.9	-8.1	1.5						
Government	205.1	207.9	200.4	-1.4	2.3						
Federal Government	22.2	22.2	21.5	0.2	3.3						
State Government	57.2	57.8	56.5	-1.0	1.3						
State Government Education	33.1	33.7	32.6	-1.8	1.6						
Local Government	125.6	127.9	122.4	-1.8	2.6						
Local Government Education	69.4	71.7	67.5	-3.2	2.8						

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Employer Survey of St. Cloud MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Dec 1993	Jan 1993
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	76,640	79,171	74,894	-3.2	2.3
Goods Producing	16,435	17,085	15,811	-3.8	3.9
Construction and Mining	2,713	3,327	2,537	-18.5	6.9
Manufacturing	13,722	13,758	13,274	-0.3	3.4
Durable Goods	6,970	6,978	7,023	-0.1	-0.8
Nondurable Goods	6,752	6,780	6,251	-0.4	8.0
Service Producing	60,205	62,086	59,083	-3.0	1.9
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,652	2,773	2,717	-4.4	-2.4
Trade	23,589	24,331	23,084	-3.0	2.2
Wholesale Trade	4,048	4,071	3,913	-0.6	3.5
Retail Trade	19,541	20,260	19,171	-3.5	1.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,364	2,375	2,316	-0.5	2.1
Services	18,659	19,330	18,308	-3.5	1.9
Health Services	5,722	5,745	5,783	-0.4	-1.1
Other Services	12,937	13,585	12,525	-4.8	3.3
Government	12,941	13,277	12,658	-2.5	2.2

Employer Survey of Rochester MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Dec 1993	Jan 1993
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	69,018	69,985	67,390	-1.4	2.4
Goods Producing	13,098	13,438	13,875	-2.5	-5.6
Construction and Mining	1,836	2,122	1,922	-13.5	-4.5
Manufacturing	11,262	11,316	11,953	-0.5	-5.8
Durable Goods	9,317	9,368	10,137	-0.5	-8.1
Nondurable Goods	1,945	1,948	1,816	-0.2	7.1
Service Producing	55,920	56,547	53,515	-1.1	4.5
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	1,985	1,985	2,024	0.0	-1.9
Trade	14,506	15,108	13,365	-4.0	8.5
Wholesale Trade	1,755	1,781	1,688	-1.5	4.0
Retail Trade	12,751	13,327	11,677	-4.3	9.2
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	1,912	1,882	1,809	1.6	5.7
Services	30,245	30,246	29,283	0.0	3.3
Health Services	19,588	19,744	19,312	-0.8	1.4
Other Services	10,657	10,502	9,971	1.5	6.9
Government	7,272	7,326	7,034	-0.7	3.4

Minnesota's Annual Job Growth Climbs to 3.2 Percent in January

▲ Minnesota's **total nonfarm employment** grew by 69,100 jobs since January 1993. This 3.2 percent annual increase is the highest growth rate since June 1989. Almost all major industrial sectors showed strong gains, the only one that showed a decline was mining.

▲ The **Twin Cities** equaled the statewide 3.2 percent increase and added 44,400 jobs since January 1993. Nearly half of those new jobs occurred in the services sector (20,300). Trade added 9,800 jobs, finance, insurance and real estate (FIRE) added 5,600 jobs and manufacturing added 4,000 new jobs.

▲ The **Rochester** area had a 2.4 percent increase in employment since last January. Gains in services and retail trade outpaced declines in manufacturing and construction.

▲ **St. Cloud** grew by 2.3 percent in total nonfarm jobs since January 1993. Manufacturing, retail trade, services and government all posted solid gains.

▲ **Duluth-Superior** gained 1,100 jobs since January 1993, an increase of 1.1 percent in total employment. Government was the only sector which showed any decline over the year.

Employer Survey of Duluth and Duluth-Superior MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Duluth					Duluth-Superior MSA				
	Jobs			% Chg. From		Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Dec 1993	Jan 1993
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	51,656	53,025	51,278	-2.6	0.7	99,353	101,107	98,257	-1.7	1.1
Goods Producing	4,769	4,935	4,803	-3.4	-0.7	16,023	16,873	15,287	-5.0	4.8
Mining	——	Combined with construction		——		4,877	4,901	4,688	-0.5	4.0
Construction	1,368	1,479	1,423	-7.5	-3.9	2,927	3,697	2,793	-20.8	4.8
Manufacturing	3,401	3,456	3,380	-1.6	0.6	8,219	8,275	7,806	-0.7	5.3
Durable Goods	1,310	1,315	1,275	-0.4	2.7	4,427	4,449	4,366	-0.5	1.4
Nondurable Goods	2,091	2,141	2,105	-2.3	-0.7	3,792	3,826	3,440	-0.9	10.2
Service Producing	46,887	48,090	46,475	-2.5	0.9	83,330	84,234	82,970	-1.1	0.4
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	3,115	3,248	3,052	-4.1	2.1	6,023	6,135	5,898	-1.8	2.1
Trade	13,297	13,626	12,579	-2.4	5.7	25,506	26,251	25,308	-2.8	0.8
Wholesale Trade	2,022	2,049	1,871	-1.3	8.1	4,126	4,151	4,066	-0.6	1.5
Retail Trade	11,275	11,577	10,708	-2.6	5.3	21,380	22,100	21,242	-3.3	0.6
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,201	2,264	2,174	-2.8	1.2	3,427	3,480	3,389	-1.5	1.1
Services	16,492	16,717	16,394	-1.3	0.6	27,207	27,035	26,779	0.6	1.6
Health Services	7,181	7,150	6,989	0.4	2.7	11,169	11,160	11,053	0.1	1.0
Other Services	9,311	9,567	9,405	-2.7	-1.0	16,038	15,875	15,726	1.0	2.0
Government	11,782	12,235	12,276	-3.7	-4.0	21,167	21,333	21,596	-0.8	-2.0

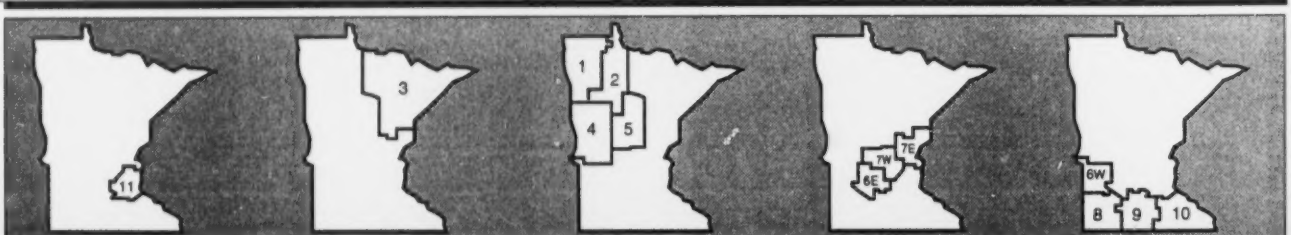
Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993
United States ('000s)												
(Seasonally adjusted)	130,667	128,898	127,224	121,971	120,661	118,178	8,696	8,237	9,046	6.7	6.4	7.1
(Unadjusted)	129,393	128,401	126,034	119,901	120,636	116,123	9,492	7,764	9,911	7.3	6.0	7.9
Minnesota												
(Seasonally adjusted)	2,539,608	2,486,952	2,446,870	2,426,305	2,367,135	2,322,231	113,303	119,817	124,639	4.5	4.8	5.1
(Unadjusted)	2,511,312	2,452,559	2,418,511	2,378,243	2,341,649	2,274,004	133,069	110,910	144,507	5.3	4.5	6.0
Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA)*												
Mpls.-St. Paul MSA	1,534,415	1,507,407	1,478,680	1,472,373	1,454,392	1,408,883	62,042	53,015	69,797	4.0	3.5	4.7
Duluth-Superior MSA	120,470	116,112	117,086	111,318	108,503	107,250	9,152	7,609	9,836	7.6	6.6	8.4
St. Cloud MSA	89,072	88,006	86,352	83,151	82,847	80,697	5,921	5,159	5,655	6.6	5.9	6.5
Rochester MSA	66,033	63,424	63,047	63,239	61,175	60,766	2,794	2,249	2,281	4.2	3.5	3.6
Region 1	49,454	48,790	47,482	45,575	44,905	42,967	3,879	3,885	4,515	7.8	8.0	9.5
Kittson	2,486	2,422	2,479	2,269	2,233	2,232	217	189	247	8.7	7.8	10.0
Marshall	5,149	4,952	4,917	4,370	4,296	4,068	779	656	849	15.1	13.2	17.3
Norman	3,552	3,412	3,429	3,282	3,199	3,094	270	213	335	7.6	6.2	9.8
Pennington	7,144	7,048	6,834	6,352	6,400	5,870	792	648	964	11.1	9.2	14.1
Polk	20,987	20,799	19,901	20,063	19,845	18,705	924	954	1,196	4.4	4.6	6.0
Red Lake	2,182	2,057	2,111	1,780	1,790	1,679	402	267	432	18.4	13.0	20.5
Roseau	7,954	8,100	7,811	7,459	7,142	7,319	495	958	492	6.2	11.8	6.3
Region 2	33,141	32,627	32,189	29,555	29,840	28,423	3,586	2,787	3,766	10.8	8.5	11.7
Beltrami	16,569	16,421	16,113	15,163	15,287	14,660	1,406	1,134	1,453	8.5	6.9	9.0
Clearwater	3,880	3,735	3,916	2,932	3,051	2,881	948	684	1,035	24.4	18.3	26.4
Hubbard	7,193	7,036	7,004	6,326	6,377	6,116	867	659	888	12.1	9.4	12.7
Lake of the Woods	2,100	2,003	2,054	2,011	1,926	1,974	89	77	80	4.2	3.8	3.9
Mahnomen	3,399	3,432	3,102	3,123	3,199	2,792	276	233	310	8.1	6.8	10.0
Region 3	153,294	147,058	149,302	139,653	136,199	135,064	13,641	10,859	14,238	8.9	7.4	9.5
Aitkin	5,636	5,354	5,385	4,851	4,750	4,560	785	604	825	13.9	11.3	15.3
Carlton	15,207	14,516	14,381	13,808	13,497	12,978	1,399	1,019	1,403	9.2	7.0	9.8
Cook	2,578	2,535	2,496	2,342	2,374	2,278	236	161	218	9.2	6.4	8.7
Itasca	18,977	18,036	18,702	16,371	15,888	16,421	2,606	2,148	2,281	13.7	11.9	12.2
Koochiching	6,381	6,170	6,478	5,747	5,594	5,735	634	576	743	9.9	9.3	11.5
Lake	5,266	5,150	5,180	4,836	4,839	4,681	430	311	499	8.2	6.0	9.6
St. Louis	99,249	95,297	96,680	91,698	89,257	88,411	7,551	6,040	8,269	7.6	6.3	8.6
City of Duluth	43,367	41,709	42,071	40,787	39,702	39,325	2,580	2,007	2,746	5.9	4.8	6.5
Bal of St. Louis Cnty	55,882	53,588	54,609	50,911	49,555	49,086	4,971	4,033	5,523	8.9	7.5	10.1
Region 4	99,561	96,326	96,427	92,213	90,500	88,109	7,348	5,826	8,318	7.4	6.0	8.6
Becker	11,923	11,550	11,908	10,536	10,409	10,372	1,387	1,141	1,536	11.6	9.9	12.9
Clay	29,216	28,213	27,341	27,742	26,978	25,888	1,474	1,235	1,453	5.0	4.4	5.3
Douglas	14,996	14,361	14,504	14,034	13,606	13,364	962	755	1,140	6.4	5.3	7.9
Grant	3,100	2,910	2,892	2,860	2,726	2,630	240	184	262	7.7	6.3	9.1
Otter Tail	24,459	24,171	24,369	22,199	22,398	21,565	2,260	1,773	2,804	9.2	7.3	11.5
Pope	5,115	4,978	5,024	4,744	4,695	4,613	371	283	411	7.3	5.7	8.2
Stevens	5,290	4,984	5,109	4,958	4,725	4,778	332	259	331	6.3	5.2	6.5
Traverse	1,765	1,671	1,740	1,643	1,588	1,597	122	83	143	6.9	5.0	8.2
Wilkin	3,697	3,488	3,540	3,497	3,375	3,302	200	113	238	5.4	3.2	6.7
Region 5	65,633	62,903	62,383	58,958	57,581	55,250	6,675	5,322	7,133	10.2	8.5	11.4
Cass	10,319	9,890	9,724	9,140	8,942	8,443	1,179	948	1,281	11.4	9.6	13.2
Crow Wing	23,871	22,897	22,334	21,666	21,194	20,014	2,205	1,703	2,320	9.2	7.4	10.4
Morrison	14,728	14,079	14,356	13,049	12,746	12,500	1,679	1,333	1,856	11.4	9.5	12.9
Todd	10,653	10,313	10,228	9,574	9,387	9,064	1,079	926	1,164	10.1	9.0	11.4
Wadena	6,062	5,724	5,741	5,529	5,312	5,229	533	412	512	8.8	7.2	8.9
Region 6E	57,201	55,610	55,602	53,379	52,654	51,286	3,822	2,956	4,316	6.7	5.3	7.8
Kandiyohi	19,849	19,365	19,000	18,652	18,438	17,796	1,197	927	1,204	6.0	4.8	6.3
McLeod	19,346	18,611	18,632	18,331	17,825	17,376	1,015	786	1,256	5.2	4.2	6.7
Meeker	9,386	9,102	9,202	8,476	8,398	8,149	910	704	1,053	9.7	7.7	11.4
Renville	8,620	8,532	8,768	7,920	7,993	7,965	700	539	803	8.1	6.3	9.2
Region 6W	25,047	23,905	23,427	23,172	22,421	21,444	1,875	1,484	1,983	7.5	6.2	8.5
Big Stone	2,826	2,707	2,805	2,570	2,512	2,553	256	195	252	9.1	7.2	9.0
Chippewa	6,743	6,439	6,223	6,162	5,997	5,611	581	442	612	8.6	6.9	9.8
Lac Qui Parle	4,000	3,878	3,897	3,779	3,686	3,627	221	192	270	5.5	5.0	6.9
Swift	5,243	5,033	4,825	4,886	4,753	4,411	357	280	414	6.8	5.6	8.6
Yellow Medicine	6,235	5,848	5,677	5,775	5,473	5,242	460	375	435	7.4	6.4	7.7

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993	Jan 1994	Dec 1993	Jan 1993
Region 7E	61,289	58,823	58,247	55,394	54,337	51,983	5,895	4,486	6,264	9.6	7.6	10.8
Chisago	17,113	16,498	16,475	15,507	15,314	14,840	1,606	1,184	1,635	9.4	7.2	9.9
Isanti	14,002	13,580	13,625	12,875	12,714	12,321	1,127	866	1,304	8.0	6.4	9.6
Kanabec	6,998	6,643	6,788	6,097	5,964	5,840	901	679	948	12.9	10.2	14.0
Mille Lacs	10,065	10,049	9,888	9,140	9,314	8,888	925	735	1,000	9.2	7.3	10.1
Pine	13,111	12,053	11,471	11,775	11,031	10,094	1,336	1,022	1,377	10.2	8.5	12.0
Region 7W	154,776	151,962	149,959	143,992	142,931	138,922	10,784	9,031	11,037	7.0	5.9	7.4
Benton	18,560	18,408	17,941	17,128	17,066	16,623	1,432	1,342	1,318	7.7	7.3	7.3
Sherburne	25,181	24,557	24,361	23,335	23,045	22,332	1,846	1,512	2,029	7.3	6.2	8.3
Stearns	70,512	69,598	68,411	66,023	65,781	64,074	4,489	3,817	4,337	6.4	5.5	6.3
Wright	40,523	39,399	39,246	37,506	37,039	35,893	3,017	2,360	3,353	7.4	6.0	8.5
Region 8	64,215	61,844	60,771	60,568	58,799	57,021	3,647	3,045	3,750	5.7	4.9	6.2
Cottonwood	6,501	6,211	5,911	6,141	5,916	5,519	360	295	392	5.5	4.7	6.6
Jackson	5,778	5,437	5,318	5,478	5,184	4,981	300	253	337	5.2	4.7	6.3
Lincoln	3,189	3,163	3,016	2,933	2,947	2,776	256	216	240	8.0	6.8	8.0
Lyon	15,511	14,731	14,435	14,721	14,109	13,678	790	622	757	5.1	4.2	5.2
Murray	4,455	4,460	4,355	4,042	4,163	3,901	413	297	454	9.3	6.7	10.4
Nobles	10,227	9,936	9,901	9,709	9,496	9,357	518	440	544	5.1	4.4	5.5
Pipestone	4,815	4,784	4,793	4,492	4,487	4,418	323	297	375	6.7	6.2	7.8
Redwood	8,969	8,603	8,438	8,475	8,139	7,955	494	464	483	5.5	5.4	5.7
Rock	4,770	4,519	4,604	4,577	4,358	4,436	193	161	168	4.0	3.6	3.6
Region 9	116,547	113,387	112,854	109,920	108,067	105,506	6,627	5,320	7,348	5.7	4.7	6.5
Blue Earth	31,404	30,706	30,162	30,258	29,728	28,810	1,146	978	1,352	3.6	3.2	4.5
Brown	14,650	14,181	13,938	13,687	13,435	12,940	963	746	998	6.6	5.3	7.2
Faribault	7,870	7,600	7,802	7,330	7,164	7,103	540	436	699	6.9	5.7	9.0
Le Sueur	13,211	12,793	12,641	12,121	11,909	11,541	1,090	884	1,100	8.3	6.9	8.7
Martin	11,155	10,867	11,258	10,359	10,200	10,321	796	667	937	7.1	6.1	8.3
Nicollet	16,907	16,526	16,205	16,295	16,009	15,515	612	517	690	3.6	3.1	4.3
Sibley	6,611	6,608	6,419	6,015	6,146	5,802	596	462	617	9.0	7.0	9.6
Waseca	8,808	8,405	8,664	8,247	7,994	8,061	561	411	603	6.4	4.9	7.0
Watonwan	5,931	5,701	5,765	5,608	5,482	5,413	323	219	352	5.4	3.8	6.1
Region 10	241,342	233,028	230,621	228,531	222,738	218,198	12,811	10,290	12,423	5.3	4.4	5.4
Dodge	8,434	8,404	8,029	7,697	7,856	7,342	737	548	687	8.7	6.5	8.6
Fillmore	10,106	9,808	9,934	9,306	9,185	9,082	800	623	852	7.9	6.4	8.6
Freeborn	17,683	17,258	17,018	16,559	16,298	16,070	1,124	960	948	6.4	5.6	5.6
Goodhue	24,557	23,516	23,380	23,333	22,557	22,103	1,224	959	1,277	5.0	4.1	5.5
Houston	10,482	10,220	10,126	9,863	9,796	9,414	619	424	712	5.9	4.1	7.0
Mower	18,730	18,209	17,970	17,848	17,459	17,110	882	750	860	4.7	4.1	4.8
Olmsted	66,033	63,424	63,047	63,239	61,175	60,766	2,794	2,249	2,281	4.2	3.5	3.6
City of Rochester	44,235	42,564	42,210	42,332	40,950	40,676	1,903	1,614	1,534	4.3	3.8	3.6
Rice	28,087	27,253	27,207	26,337	25,799	25,415	1,750	1,454	1,792	6.2	5.3	6.6
Steele	17,937	17,178	16,919	17,123	16,536	16,043	814	642	876	4.5	3.7	5.2
Wabasha	10,622	10,169	10,313	9,922	9,678	9,656	700	491	657	6.6	4.8	6.4
Winona	28,671	27,589	26,678	27,304	26,399	25,197	1,367	1,190	1,481	4.8	4.3	5.6
Region 11	1,389,812	1,366,297	1,339,248	1,337,334	1,320,680	1,279,832	52,478	45,617	59,416	3.8	3.3	4.4
Anoka	154,963	152,109	149,319	147,686	145,847	141,336	7,277	6,262	7,983	4.7	4.1	5.3
Carver	30,810	30,195	29,592	29,540	29,172	28,270	1,270	1,023	1,322	4.1	3.4	4.5
Dakota	179,139	175,807	172,743	172,562	170,413	165,142	6,577	5,394	7,601	3.7	3.1	4.4
Hennepin	623,930	614,337	601,270	602,245	594,745	576,350	21,685	19,592	24,920	3.5	3.2	4.1
City of Bloomington	55,027	54,168	53,060	53,417	52,752	51,121	1,610	1,416	1,939	2.9	2.6	3.7
City of Minneapolis	206,133	202,901	198,284	198,051	195,585	189,536	8,082	7,316	8,748	3.9	3.6	4.4
Ramsey	273,869	269,154	263,685	263,774	260,489	252,432	10,095	8,665	11,253	3.7	3.2	4.3
City of St. Paul	143,767	141,090	138,322	137,344	135,633	131,438	6,423	5,457	6,884	4.5	3.9	5.0
Scott	36,383	35,612	35,182	34,582	34,151	33,095	1,801	1,461	2,087	5.0	4.1	5.9
Washington	90,718	89,083	87,457	86,945	85,863	83,207	3,773	3,220	4,250	4.2	3.6	4.9

*Note: Minneapolis/St Paul Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) now includes Sherburne County and Pierce County in Wisconsin.
St. Cloud Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) is now comprised of Benton and Stearns Counties.



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Changes in the Labor Force Estimates

Beginning this month the labor force estimates will reflect several major changes which will make comparisons to previously published data impossible. These changes represent a significant overhaul of the complicated system and methodology used to produce the monthly unemployment rates from the national down to the county level.

At the national level, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) implemented changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). This monthly survey is conducted by the Census Bureau for the BLS and includes 60,000 households nationally (732 in Minnesota). The survey collection methods are now computerized and the questions have been changed to get more accurate data on women in the labor force, discouraged workers, part-time and self-employed workers as well as other categories which were previously not accurately counted.

There is also a change in the regression formula used for the state estimates to one which will produce a smoother time series--one with less volatility from month to month. Population controls and a variety of ratios and inputs have also been changed as a result of the 1990 Census.

The Minneapolis-St. Paul and St. Cloud Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) have been redefined. Sherburne County is no longer in the St. Cloud MSA and is added to the Minneapolis-St. Paul MSA along with Pierce County in Wisconsin. Unemployment rates in Polk, Wilkin, Houston and Clay Counties will be affected by calculations in border states.

A new time series for the statewide labor force estimates has been calculated back to 1978. At the substate level estimates have been calculated back to 1990. **Anyone tracking the unemployment rate in a time series should discard this old data and call (612) 296-6545 to obtain the revised time series. This data can also be downloaded via an electronic bulletin board system (612) 297-7343.**

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State's Unemployment Rate at Lowest Level Since 1989

Minnesota's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 4.1 percent in February is at its lowest level since March 1989 when the rate was 4 percent. The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.5 percent in January and 5 percent a year ago. The corresponding national rates were 6.5 percent in February, 6.7 percent in January and 7 percent a year ago.

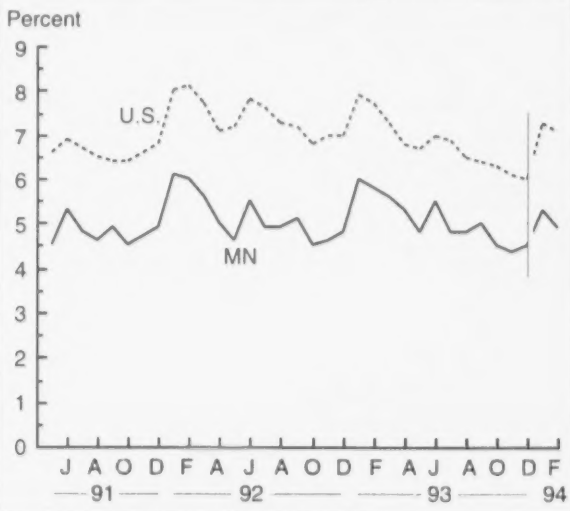
The unadjusted unemployment rates for Minnesota were 4.9 percent in February, 5.3 percent in January and 5.8 percent a year ago. For the nation, the unadjusted rates were 7.1 percent in February, 7.3 percent in January and 7.7 percent a year ago.

While every region of the state showed an improvement in its average unemployment rate from January to February, there was no change from January in which regions had the lowest and highest average unemployment rates. The seven-county Twin Cities area had an average unemployment rate of 3.4 percent in February, down from 3.8 percent in January. The northern headwaters region around Bemidji had a decrease in its average unemployment rate from 10.8 percent in January to 10.1 percent in February.

Over 80 of Minnesota's counties had lower unemployment rates in February compared to January. The highest unemployment rate among the counties was 22.7 percent in Clearwater County, down from 24.6 percent in January. Hennepin County continued to have the lowest unemployment rate at 3.1 percent in February, a decline from 3.5 percent in January.

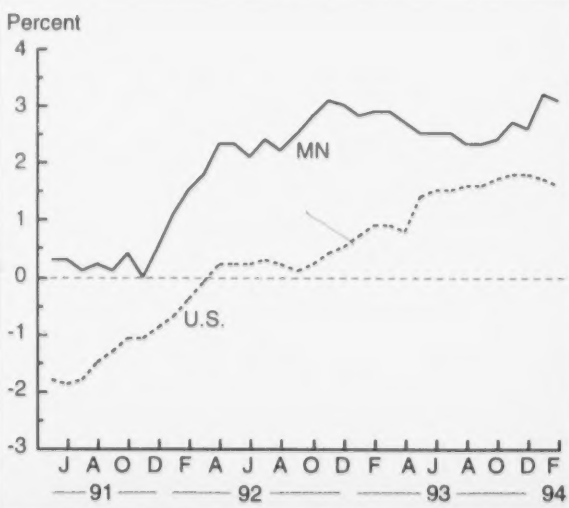
From a separate monthly survey of employers, the number of nonfarm wage and salary jobs in Minnesota was up 67,900 from a year ago. This is about 35 percent greater than the 10-year average job increase from February to February. Minnesota's 3.1 percent job growth over this year is almost double the national increase of 1.6 percent. Mining is the only major industry where the state's growth rate was lower than the national one. Services continues to have the greatest job growth, 26,700 jobs. Among the services industries, the largest increases were 8,900 jobs in business services and 3,600 in social services.

Monthly Unemployment Rate: U.S. and MN (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



Starting in January 1994 the unemployment rate is based on new survey methodology.

Total Nonfarm Jobs, U.S. and MN Percent Change From Year Ago

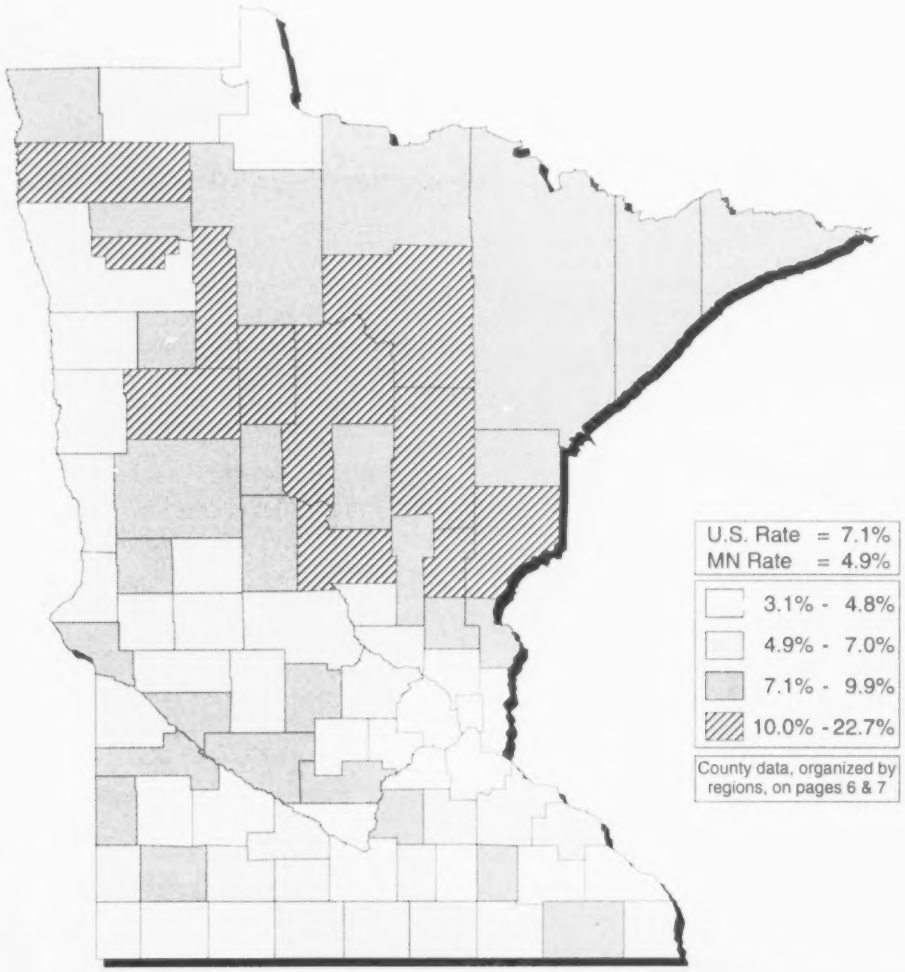


Job growth among the metropolitan areas has evened out since annual revisions and redefinition of two metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) occurred at the beginning of 1994. Sherburne County was taken out of the St. Cloud MSA and added to the Minneapolis-St. Paul MSA. In the first two months of 1994, the Minneapolis-St. Paul MSA has taken the lead among Minnesota's MSAs in the percentage increase in nonfarm jobs over the year. The St. Cloud MSA had previously held that distinction.

Metropolitan area job growth over the past year was:

St. Cloud	Increase of 1,600 jobs or 2.2 percent
Minneapolis-St.Paul	Increase of 42,500 jobs or 3 percent
Rochester	Increase of 1,400 jobs or 2 percent
Duluth-Superior	Increase of 1,700 jobs or 1.7 percent

Minnesota Unemployment Rates by County
February 1994
(not seasonally adjusted)



Employer Survey of Minnesota Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Feb 1993
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	2,246.5	2,241.2	2,178.6	0.2	3.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	476.9	478.1	466.3	-0.2	2.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	6.6	6.6	6.9	0.4	-4.1	766.70	676.37	42.5	42.7	18.04	15.84
Metal Mining	5.4	5.4	5.8	0.8	-6.3	808.13	700.70	43.1	43.2	18.75	16.22
Construction	66.1	67.5	62.2	-2.2	6.2	698.63	700.13	37.5	37.5	18.63	18.67
Manufacturing	404.3	404.0	397.2	0.1	1.8	518.74	498.54	41.4	41.1	12.53	12.13
Durable Goods	231.2	231.4	226.7	-0.1	2.0	532.55	511.26	41.9	41.6	12.71	12.29
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	23.5	23.8	23.0	-1.3	2.4	524.58	525.67	38.8	39.2	13.52	13.41
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	7.6	7.6	6.8	-0.4	11.1	599.68	579.91	46.2	43.8	12.98	13.24
Primary Metals	6.2	6.2	5.9	1.1	5.8	593.09	544.82	43.9	42.3	13.51	12.88
Fabricated Metals	31.4	31.6	31.4	-0.7	0.1	576.45	545.02	42.2	41.7	13.66	13.07
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	76.0	75.9	75.5	0.1	0.6	596.40	574.25	42.6	42.6	14.00	13.48
Computer and Office Equipment	30.4	30.3	31.5	0.4	-3.3	697.56	689.85	43.3	45.0	16.11	15.33
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	30.9	30.6	30.1	0.9	2.7	424.35	423.95	41.4	42.1	10.25	10.07
Transportation Equipment	12.1	12.1	11.1	0.2	8.4	531.15	484.31	42.8	41.5	12.41	11.67
Instruments and Related Products	34.3	34.4	34.5	-0.2	-0.6	474.31	449.49	41.9	41.2	11.32	10.91
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	9.3	9.3	8.4	0.2	10.6	418.76	410.82	39.1	39.2	10.71	10.48
Nondurable Goods	173.0	172.6	170.5	0.2	1.5	503.07	481.57	40.9	40.4	12.30	11.92
Food and Beverage Products	48.5	48.5	49.3	0.0	-1.7	452.69	431.17	41.8	40.6	10.83	10.62
Textile Mill Products and Apparel	5.2	5.2	4.7	-0.8	9.3	333.31	333.29	37.2	38.8	8.96	8.59
Paper and Allied Products	32.9	32.9	33.3	0.0	-1.1	619.75	607.35	40.8	41.8	15.19	14.53
Printing and Publishing	54.6	54.4	52.3	0.4	4.5	489.29	457.38	39.3	38.5	12.45	11.88
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	12.6	12.6	12.4	0.5	1.6	688.90	657.25	43.3	43.7	15.91	15.04
Rubber, Plastics and Leather Products	19.3	19.1	18.5	1.0	4.0	465.89	447.72	42.2	41.0	11.04	10.92
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,769.5	1,763.1	1,712.3	0.4	3.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	108.9	109.0	108.3	0.0	0.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	75.0	75.0	74.3	0.0	1.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	27.8	27.8	26.7	-0.2	4.2	445.43	400.62	39.7	34.3	11.22	11.68
Communications and Utilities	33.9	34.0	34.0	0.0	-0.3	664.15	654.84	37.0	36.4	17.95	17.99
Trade	530.9	534.1	517.4	-0.6	2.6	274.95	266.34	28.7	28.7	9.58	9.28
Wholesale Trade	131.9	131.8	126.9	0.1	4.0	469.88	464.26	37.5	38.4	12.53	12.09
Retail Trade	398.9	402.3	390.5	-0.8	2.2	215.54	207.43	26.0	25.8	8.29	8.04
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	16.3	16.7	15.6	-2.2	4.3	365.40	331.17	33.4	31.6	10.94	10.48
General Merchandise Stores	56.1	57.8	55.8	-2.9	0.5	217.21	216.93	27.6	28.1	7.87	7.72
Food Stores	54.4	54.8	55.0	-0.8	-1.1	241.74	249.85	26.8	27.7	9.02	9.02
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	45.2	45.1	42.7	0.3	5.8	338.88	322.76	34.3	34.3	9.88	9.41
Apparel and Accessories Stores	19.5	20.6	19.7	-5.3	-1.3	149.63	138.19	22.5	21.9	6.65	6.31
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	16.8	16.9	15.8	-0.6	6.2	308.62	308.16	30.8	32.1	10.02	9.60
Eating and Drinking Places	135.0	134.3	130.7	0.5	3.3	135.26	125.64	21.2	20.2	6.38	6.22
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	138.7	138.3	131.9	0.3	5.1						
Finance	63.4	63.2	59.4	0.3	6.7						
Insurance	53.0	52.8	50.4	0.5	5.2						
Real Estate	22.3	22.3	22.1	-0.3	0.8						
Services	621.5	618.0	594.8	0.6	4.5						
Personal Services	24.6	24.5	24.8	0.4	-1.0						
Business Service	112.9	112.6	104.0	0.3	8.6						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	23.9	23.7	23.0	0.9	4.0						
Health Services	183.5	183.1	180.4	0.2	1.7						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	47.0	46.9	45.8	0.4	2.7						
Hospitals	55.3	55.5	56.3	-0.3	-1.6						
Legal Services	16.3	16.1	16.2	0.8	0.5						
Private Educational Services	35.7	34.2	34.7	4.3	2.9						
Government	369.6	363.9	359.9	1.6	2.7						
Federal Government	33.9	34.1	33.6	-0.6	0.7						
State Government	87.9	85.8	87.4	2.5	0.6						
State Government Education	50.5	48.3	50.8	4.5	-0.6						
Local Government	247.9	244.0	238.9	1.6	3.8						
Local Government Education	136.6	132.5	131.6	3.1	3.8						

Note: Not all industry sub-groups are shown for every major industry category.

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Employer Survey of Twin Cities Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Feb 1993
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	1,454.9	1,451.9	1,412.5	0.2	3.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	305.9	307.3	302.7	-0.4	1.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	0.3	0.3	0.4	-3.4	-21.4	686.51	698.33	40.1	42.4	17.12	16.47
Construction	40.6	41.7	40.4	-2.7	0.4	753.61	755.25	37.4	37.5	20.15	20.14
Manufacturing	265.0	265.3	261.9	-0.1	1.2	549.05	524.69	41.5	40.8	13.23	12.86
Durable Goods	153.7	154.1	152.9	-0.2	0.5	564.64	536.77	42.2	41.1	13.38	13.06
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	9.4	9.6	9.2	-2.0	1.3	582.93	597.52	38.3	38.8	15.22	15.40
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	2.8	2.9	2.6	-1.7	8.8	619.83	605.91	42.6	42.7	14.55	14.19
Primary Metals	4.8	4.7	4.6	1.0	4.9	592.04	552.55	43.5	42.9	13.61	12.88
Fabricated Metals	23.6	23.7	23.7	-0.7	-0.8	625.98	577.41	42.7	41.6	14.66	13.88
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	51.9	51.9	52.0	0.0	-0.1	617.34	592.38	42.4	41.6	14.56	14.24
Computer and Office Equipment	19.2	19.1	19.9	0.2	-3.7	706.78	689.78	41.6	42.5	16.99	16.23
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	19.3	19.1	18.2	1.1	5.7	438.10	415.72	42.7	40.4	10.26	10.29
Transportation Equipment	5.4	5.6	5.2	-2.2	4.6	637.72	607.15	41.9	41.5	15.22	14.63
Instruments and Related Products	30.7	30.8	31.4	-0.2	-2.2	516.00	473.06	43.0	41.1	12.00	11.51
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	5.9	5.9	6.0	-0.4	-1.7	479.99	462.48	40.2	39.8	11.94	11.62
Nondurable Goods	111.4	111.2	109.0	0.1	2.2	529.42	509.04	40.6	40.4	13.04	12.60
Food and Beverage Products	19.1	19.2	19.0	-0.5	0.5	517.29	526.15	43.0	42.5	12.03	12.38
Paper and Allied Products	26.0	26.1	26.2	-0.1	-0.7	570.65	533.89	40.5	40.6	14.09	13.15
Printing and Publishing	39.3	39.2	37.6	0.1	4.5	499.20	464.36	39.0	37.6	12.80	12.35
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	11.4	11.4	11.1	0.4	3.0	745.38	694.42	44.5	44.4	16.75	15.64
Rubber and Misc Plastics Products	12.7	12.5	12.4	1.4	2.0	479.97	462.89	41.7	41.0	11.51	11.29
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,149.0	1,144.6	1,109.8	0.4	3.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	76.8	76.7	77.2	0.1	-0.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	55.3	55.1	55.8	0.2	-1.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	18.0	18.0	17.5	-0.2	2.7	460.77	362.77	37.4	28.1	12.32	12.91
Communications and Utilities	21.6	21.6	21.4	-0.2	0.7	678.06	655.94	37.4	36.1	18.13	18.17
Trade	341.0	342.8	330.6	-0.5	3.2	297.26	294.92	28.5	29.2	10.43	10.10
Wholesale Trade	87.9	87.8	84.4	0.1	4.2	528.96	510.72	38.0	38.4	13.92	13.30
Retail Trade	253.2	255.0	246.3	-0.7	2.8	224.15	227.50	25.5	26.3	8.79	8.65
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	9.3	9.5	8.8	-1.9	5.9	406.70	378.78	33.2	30.4	12.25	12.46
General Merchandise Stores	36.8	37.9	36.6	-3.0	0.5	245.08	249.10	28.3	29.1	8.66	8.56
Food Stores	31.5	31.7	31.5	-0.6	0.2	275.60	275.99	28.5	28.6	9.67	9.65
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	26.0	26.0	24.5	0.0	6.1	404.06	364.59	36.6	35.5	11.04	10.27
Apparel and Accessories Stores	13.8	14.4	13.7	-4.1	0.5	151.85	138.46	22.8	21.5	6.66	6.44
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	11.4	11.5	10.8	-0.6	6.1	0.99	359.96	3.1	32.4	0.32	11.11
Eating and Drinking Places	87.6	87.1	85.0	0.6	3.1	153.69	145.73	21.8	20.7	7.05	7.04
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	109.9	109.6	104.2	0.2	5.5						
Finance	47.6	47.5	44.1	0.2	8.1						
Insurance	44.6	44.5	42.8	0.3	4.3						
Real Estate	17.6	17.6	17.3	-0.2	1.6						
Services	412.5	410.3	393.3	0.5	4.9						
Personal Services	17.4	17.3	17.5	0.5	-0.5						
Business Services	94.6	94.4	87.3	0.2	8.3						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	17.6	17.5	17.1	0.8	3.1						
Health Services	107.3	107.1	104.8	0.1	2.3						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	25.5	25.4	25.0	0.3	2.2						
Hospitals	33.2	33.3	33.9	-0.1	-1.9						
Legal Services	13.2	13.1	13.1	0.7	0.6						
Private Educational Services	19.3	18.2	18.9	6.2	1.9						
Government	208.8	205.1	204.4	1.8	2.1						
Federal Government	22.1	22.2	21.6	-0.4	2.5						
State Government	58.4	57.2	57.5	2.1	1.5						
State Government Education	34.3	33.1	33.6	3.6	2.1						
Local Government	128.2	125.6	125.3	2.1	2.3						
Local Government Education	72.1	69.4	70.4	3.9	2.4						

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Employer Survey of St. Cloud MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Jan 1994	Feb 1993
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	77,046	76,589	75,403	0.6	2.2
Goods Producing	16,476	16,384	15,815	0.6	4.2
Construction and Mining	2,612	2,713	2,428	-3.7	7.6
Manufacturing	13,864	13,671	13,387	1.4	3.6
Durable Goods	7,055	6,970	7,081	1.2	-0.4
Nondurable Goods	6,809	6,701	6,306	1.6	8.0
Service Producing	60,570	60,205	59,588	0.6	1.6
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,618	2,652	2,717	-1.3	-3.6
Trade	23,370	23,589	22,870	-0.9	2.2
Wholesale Trade	4,044	4,048	3,903	-0.1	3.6
Retail Trade	19,326	19,541	18,967	-1.1	1.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,397	2,364	2,317	1.4	3.5
Services	19,076	18,659	18,848	2.2	1.2
Health Services	5,748	5,722	5,767	0.5	-0.3
Other Services	13,328	12,937	13,081	3.0	1.9
Government	13,109	12,941	12,836	1.3	2.1

Employer Survey of Rochester MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Jan 1994	Feb 1993
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	68,840	69,018	67,469	-0.3	2.0
Goods Producing	13,041	13,098	13,932	-0.4	-6.4
Construction and Mining	1,807	1,836	1,890	-1.6	-4.4
Manufacturing	11,234	11,262	12,042	-0.2	-6.7
Durable Goods	9,302	9,317	10,212	-0.2	-8.9
Nondurable Goods	1,932	1,945	1,830	-0.7	5.6
Service Producing	55,799	55,920	53,537	-0.2	4.2
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,008	1,985	2,033	1.2	-1.2
Trade	14,276	14,506	13,200	-1.6	8.2
Wholesale Trade	1,760	1,755	1,698	0.3	3.7
Retail Trade	12,516	12,751	11,502	-1.8	8.8
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	1,892	1,912	1,790	-1.0	5.7
Services	30,206	30,245	29,375	-0.1	2.8
Health Services	19,617	19,588	19,370	0.1	1.3
Other Services	10,589	10,657	10,005	-0.6	5.8
Government	7,417	7,272	7,139	2.0	3.9

Minnesota's Annual Job Growth 3.1 Percent in February

- **Minnesota's** total nonfarm employment grew by 69,100 jobs since February 1993. For the second consecutive month, all major industrial sectors showed strong gains. The only one that showed a decline was mining.
- The **Twin Cities** followed the state closely with a 3 percent increase and added 42,500 jobs since January 1993. Nearly half of those new jobs occurred in the services sector (19,200). Trade added 10,400 jobs. Finance, insurance and real estate added 5,700 jobs and manufacturing added 3,100 new jobs.
- The **Rochester** area had a 2 percent increase in employment since last year (1,400 jobs). Most of the job gains were in retail trade and services.
- The **St. Cloud** area grew by 2.2 percent in total nonfarm jobs since February 1993 (1,600 jobs). All industry groups posted gains except for state and federal government.
- The **Duluth-Superior** area gained 1,700 jobs since February 1993, an increase of 1.7 percent in total employment. The gains were spread across all industrial sectors.

Employer Survey of Duluth and Duluth-Superior MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Duluth					Duluth-Superior MSA				
	Jobs			% Chg. From		Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Jan 1994	Feb 1993
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	51,812	52,105	50,960	-0.6	1.7	99,497	99,029	97,812	0.5	1.7
Goods Producing	4,725	4,769	4,713	-0.9	0.3	15,916	16,069	15,167	-1.0	4.9
Mining		Combined with construction				4,921	4,877	4,738	0.9	3.9
Construction	1,340	1,368	1,337	-2.0	0.2	2,763	2,927	2,607	-5.6	6.0
Manufacturing	3,385	3,401	3,376	-0.5	0.3	8,232	8,265	7,822	-0.4	5.2
Durable Goods	1,294	1,310	1,265	-1.2	2.3	4,387	4,427	4,345	-0.9	1.0
Nondurable Goods	2,091	2,091	2,111	0.0	-0.9	3,845	3,838	3,477	0.2	10.6
Service Producing	47,087	47,336	46,247	-0.5	1.8	83,581	82,960	82,645	0.7	1.1
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,793	3,115	2,924	-10.3	-4.5	5,959	6,023	5,742	-1.1	3.8
Trade	13,132	13,542	12,466	-3.0	5.3	25,418	25,506	25,139	-0.3	1.1
Wholesale Trade	1,988	2,022	1,878	-1.7	5.9	4,093	4,126	4,046	-0.8	1.2
Retail Trade	11,144	11,520	10,588	-3.3	5.3	21,325	21,380	21,093	-0.3	1.1
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,239	2,201	2,174	1.7	3.0	3,459	3,427	3,380	0.9	2.3
Services	16,633	16,606	16,359	0.2	1.7	26,992	26,837	26,689	0.6	1.1
Health Services	7,178	7,165	6,943	0.2	3.4	11,224	11,169	10,981	0.5	2.2
Other Services	9,455	9,441	9,416	0.1	0.4	15,768	15,668	15,708	0.6	0.4
Government	12,290	11,872	12,324	3.5	-0.3	21,753	21,167	21,695	2.8	0.3

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993
United States ('000s)												
(Seasonally adjusted)	130,776	130,667	127,327	122,258	121,971	118,451	8,518	8,696	8,876	6.5	6.7	7.0
(Unadjusted)	129,764	129,393	126,505	120,503	119,901	116,735	9,262	9,492	9,770	7.1	7.3	7.7
Minnesota												
(Seasonally adjusted)	2,582,425	2,539,609	2,446,290	2,475,563	2,426,306	2,322,779	106,862	113,303	123,511	4.1	4.5	5.0
(Unadjusted)	2,548,040	2,511,313	2,412,047	2,424,256	2,378,244	2,271,494	123,784	133,069	140,553	4.9	5.3	5.8
Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA)*												
Mpls.-St. Paul MSA	1,567,484	1,544,806	1,479,957	1,509,178	1,482,673	1,411,524	58,306	62,133	68,433	3.7	4.0	4.6
Duluth-Superior MSA	120,008	118,124	116,094	110,855	108,977	106,321	9,153	9,147	9,773	7.6	7.7	8.4
St. Cloud MSA	90,588	89,569	86,066	85,703	83,667	80,712	4,885	5,902	5,354	5.4	6.6	6.2
Rochester MSA	66,716	66,005	62,640	64,073	63,212	60,351	2,643	2,793	2,289	4.0	4.2	3.7
Region 1	49,982	49,207	47,099	46,215	44,991	42,906	3,767	4,216	4,193	7.5	8.6	8.9
Kittson	2,582	2,511	2,500	2,383	2,294	2,244	199	217	256	7.7	8.6	10.2
Marshall	4,969	4,971	4,811	4,280	4,199	4,014	689	772	797	13.9	15.5	16.6
Norman	3,608	3,499	3,426	3,358	3,228	3,112	250	271	314	6.9	7.7	9.2
Pennington	6,915	6,963	6,633	6,243	6,171	5,801	672	792	832	9.7	11.4	12.5
Polk	21,640	21,181	19,833	20,468	19,916	18,683	1,172	1,265	1,150	5.4	6.0	5.8
Red Lake	2,164	2,143	2,057	1,789	1,741	1,674	375	402	383	17.3	18.8	18.6
Roseau	8,104	7,939	7,839	7,694	7,442	7,378	410	497	461	5.1	6.3	5.9
Region 2	33,624	33,142	31,856	30,234	29,558	28,294	3,390	3,584	3,562	10.1	10.8	11.2
Beltrami	16,895	16,605	15,972	15,572	15,200	14,632	1,323	1,405	1,340	7.8	8.5	8.4
Clearwater	3,853	3,864	3,823	2,977	2,913	2,849	876	951	974	22.7	24.6	25.5
Hubbard	7,318	7,206	6,963	6,496	6,341	6,104	822	865	859	11.2	12.0	12.3
Lake of the Woods	2,179	2,095	2,078	2,075	2,006	1,989	104	89	89	4.8	4.2	4.3
Mahnomen	3,379	3,372	3,020	3,114	3,098	2,720	265	274	300	7.8	8.1	9.9
Region 3	152,707	150,908	147,665	139,747	137,293	133,783	12,960	13,615	13,882	8.5	9.0	9.4
Aitkin	5,622	5,593	5,303	4,895	4,808	4,507	727	785	796	12.9	14.0	15.0
Carlton	15,328	15,102	14,353	13,986	13,698	12,973	1,342	1,404	1,380	8.8	9.3	9.6
Cook	2,607	2,594	2,464	2,400	2,357	2,253	207	237	211	7.9	9.1	8.6
Itasca	18,910	18,838	18,459	16,419	16,240	16,260	2,491	2,598	2,199	13.2	13.8	11.9
Koochiching	6,305	6,303	6,371	5,720	5,659	5,672	585	644	699	9.3	10.2	11.0
Lake	5,383	5,300	5,165	4,974	4,874	4,675	409	426	490	7.6	8.0	9.5
St. Louis	98,552	97,178	95,550	91,353	89,657	87,443	7,199	7,521	8,107	7.3	7.7	8.5
City of Duluth	43,176	42,452	41,653	40,634	39,879	38,895	2,542	2,573	2,758	5.9	6.1	6.6
Bal of St. Louis Cnty	55,376	54,726	53,897	50,719	49,778	48,548	4,657	4,948	5,349	8.4	9.0	9.9
Region 4	101,069	99,170	95,936	93,922	91,821	87,772	7,147	7,349	8,164	7.1	7.4	8.5
Becker	12,564	12,346	11,874	11,234	10,967	10,317	1,330	1,379	1,557	10.6	11.2	13.1
Clay	29,289	28,574	27,380	27,688	27,085	25,961	1,601	1,489	1,419	5.5	5.2	5.2
Douglas	15,214	14,952	14,414	14,303	13,988	13,304	911	964	1,110	6.0	6.4	7.7
Grant	3,101	3,074	2,846	2,877	2,832	2,580	224	242	266	7.2	7.9	9.3
Otter Tail	24,863	24,520	24,151	22,763	22,270	21,386	2,100	2,250	2,765	8.4	9.2	11.4
Pope	5,061	4,977	4,975	4,717	4,600	4,582	344	377	393	6.8	7.6	7.9
Stevens	5,371	5,295	5,041	5,058	4,967	4,718	313	328	323	5.8	6.2	6.4
Traverse	1,763	1,755	1,694	1,656	1,634	1,559	107	121	135	6.1	6.9	8.0
Wilkin	3,843	3,677	3,561	3,626	3,478	3,365	217	199	196	5.6	5.4	5.5
Region 5	66,368	65,494	61,949	60,149	58,858	54,966	6,219	6,636	6,983	9.4	10.1	11.3
Cass	10,399	10,221	9,652	9,240	9,051	8,408	1,159	1,170	1,244	11.1	11.4	12.9
Crow Wing	23,910	23,653	22,239	21,902	21,455	19,929	2,008	2,198	2,310	8.4	9.3	10.4
Morrison	15,016	14,868	14,210	13,455	13,205	12,365	1,561	1,663	1,845	10.4	11.2	13.0
Todd	10,850	10,646	10,120	9,844	9,570	9,034	1,006	1,076	1,086	9.3	10.1	10.7
Wadena	6,193	6,106	5,728	5,708	5,577	5,230	485	529	498	7.8	8.7	8.7
Region 6E	57,782	56,823	55,002	54,178	53,008	51,041	3,604	3,815	3,961	6.2	6.7	7.2
Kandiyohi	19,938	19,629	18,840	18,834	18,438	17,702	1,104	1,191	1,138	5.5	6.1	6.0
McLeod	19,532	19,277	18,373	18,594	18,264	17,251	938	1,013	1,122	4.8	5.3	6.1
Meeker	9,617	9,361	9,178	8,726	8,454	8,210	891	907	968	9.3	9.7	10.5
Renville	8,695	8,556	8,611	8,024	7,852	7,878	671	704	733	7.7	8.2	8.5
Region 6W	25,345	24,860	23,080	23,543	22,991	21,293	1,802	1,869	1,787	7.1	7.5	7.7
Big Stone	2,875	2,860	2,785	2,640	2,608	2,517	235	252	268	8.2	8.8	9.6
Chippewa	6,788	6,701	6,028	6,235	6,121	5,551	553	580	477	8.1	8.7	7.9
Lac Qui Parle	4,046	3,997	3,813	3,832	3,779	3,563	214	218	250	5.3	5.5	6.6
Swift	5,303	5,147	4,786	4,950	4,791	4,413	353	356	373	6.7	6.9	7.8
Yellow Medicine	6,333	6,155	5,668	5,886	5,692	5,249	447	463	419	7.1	7.5	7.4

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993	Feb 1994	Jan 1994	Feb 1993
Region 7E	61,019	60,307	58,019	55,478	54,448	51,870	5,541	5,859	6,149	9.1	9.7	10.6
Chisago	17,399	17,205	16,507	15,895	15,612	14,862	1,504	1,593	1,645	8.6	9.3	10.0
Isanti	14,220	14,085	13,610	13,197	12,962	12,339	1,023	1,123	1,271	7.2	8.0	9.3
Kanabec	6,919	6,855	6,740	6,081	5,960	5,809	838	895	931	12.1	13.1	13.8
Mille Lacs	10,094	9,899	9,848	9,209	8,980	8,882	885	919	966	8.8	9.3	9.8
Pine	12,387	12,263	11,314	11,096	10,934	9,978	1,291	1,329	1,336	10.4	10.8	11.8
Region 7W	157,553	155,653	149,524	148,069	144,920	139,022	9,484	10,733	10,502	6.0	6.9	7.0
Benton	18,850	18,661	17,908	17,654	17,235	16,626	1,196	1,426	1,282	6.3	7.6	7.2
Sherburne	25,607	25,331	24,354	23,920	23,493	22,365	1,687	1,838	1,989	6.6	7.3	8.2
Stearns	71,738	70,908	68,158	68,049	66,432	64,086	3,689	4,476	4,072	5.1	6.3	6.0
Wright	41,358	40,753	39,104	38,446	37,760	35,945	2,912	2,993	3,159	7.0	7.3	8.1
Region 8	64,154	63,123	60,169	60,868	59,486	56,616	3,286	3,637	3,553	5.1	5.8	5.9
Cottonwood	6,375	6,248	5,836	6,051	5,883	5,501	324	365	335	5.1	5.8	5.7
Jackson	5,828	5,722	5,217	5,547	5,426	4,922	281	296	295	4.8	5.2	5.7
Lincoln	3,183	3,155	2,955	2,958	2,899	2,728	225	256	227	7.1	8.1	7.7
Lyon	15,386	15,028	14,529	14,718	14,246	13,766	668	782	763	4.3	5.2	5.3
Murray	4,483	4,378	4,283	4,079	3,966	3,867	404	412	416	9.0	9.4	9.7
Nobles	10,297	10,127	9,828	9,822	9,612	9,288	475	515	540	4.6	5.1	5.5
Pipestone	4,821	4,834	4,642	4,541	4,513	4,299	280	321	343	5.8	6.6	7.4
Redwood	8,891	8,807	8,377	8,463	8,312	7,891	428	495	486	4.8	5.6	5.8
Rock	4,890	4,824	4,502	4,689	4,629	4,354	201	195	148	4.1	4.0	3.3
Region 9	116,506	114,432	112,594	110,286	107,820	105,313	6,220	6,612	7,281	5.3	5.8	6.5
Blue Earth	31,662	30,864	30,267	30,541	29,723	28,901	1,121	1,141	1,366	3.5	3.7	4.5
Brown	14,747	14,511	13,900	13,894	13,556	12,969	853	955	931	5.8	6.6	6.7
Faribault	7,749	7,599	7,798	7,204	7,055	7,076	545	544	722	7.0	7.2	9.3
Le Sueur	13,237	12,986	12,670	12,235	11,907	11,578	1,002	1,079	1,092	7.6	8.3	8.6
Martin	11,125	10,993	11,161	10,364	10,198	10,249	761	795	912	6.8	7.2	8.2
Nicollet	17,011	16,620	16,239	16,447	16,007	15,564	564	613	675	3.3	3.7	4.2
Sibley	6,457	6,463	6,243	5,859	5,863	5,608	598	600	635	9.3	9.3	10.2
Waseca	8,576	8,568	8,616	8,099	8,007	7,977	477	561	639	5.6	6.5	7.4
Watonwan	5,942	5,828	5,700	5,643	5,504	5,391	299	324	309	5.0	5.6	5.4
Region 10	242,590	239,225	229,028	230,706	226,659	216,915	11,884	12,566	12,113	4.9	5.3	5.3
Dodge	8,246	8,230	7,892	7,595	7,497	7,236	651	733	656	7.9	8.9	8.3
Fillmore	10,229	10,096	9,758	9,472	9,297	8,953	757	799	805	7.4	7.9	8.2
Freeborn	17,553	17,366	16,897	16,481	16,240	15,919	1,072	1,126	978	6.1	6.5	5.8
Goodhue	24,899	24,427	23,195	23,672	23,206	21,980	1,227	1,221	1,215	4.9	5.0	5.2
Houston	10,418	10,132	10,181	10,056	9,744	9,512	362	388	669	3.5	3.8	6.6
Mower	18,834	18,493	17,852	17,971	17,608	17,040	863	885	812	4.6	4.8	4.5
Olmsted	66,716	66,005	62,640	64,073	63,212	60,351	2,643	2,793	2,289	4.0	4.2	3.7
City of Rochester	44,691	44,221	41,917	42,890	42,314	40,399	1,801	1,907	1,518	4.0	4.3	3.6
Rice	27,939	27,594	27,071	26,336	25,839	25,310	1,603	1,755	1,761	5.7	6.4	6.5
Steele	18,113	18,023	16,582	17,310	17,212	15,760	803	811	822	4.4	4.5	5.0
Wabasha	10,963	10,714	10,366	10,344	10,020	9,737	619	694	629	5.6	6.5	6.1
Winona	28,680	28,145	26,594	27,396	26,784	25,117	1,284	1,361	1,477	4.5	4.8	5.6
Region 11	1,419,342	1,398,958	1,340,126	1,370,860	1,346,389	1,281,704	48,482	52,569	58,422	3.4	3.8	4.4
Anoka	158,213	155,943	149,554	151,388	148,686	141,543	6,825	7,257	8,011	4.3	4.7	5.4
Carver	31,502	30,999	29,597	30,281	29,740	28,311	1,221	1,259	1,286	3.9	4.1	4.3
Dakota	183,024	180,294	172,646	176,887	173,730	165,383	6,137	6,564	7,263	3.4	3.6	4.2
Hennepin	637,169	628,169	601,597	617,343	606,323	577,193	19,826	21,846	24,404	3.1	3.5	4.1
City of Bloomington	56,163	55,403	53,081	54,756	53,779	51,195	1,407	1,624	1,886	2.5	2.9	3.6
City of Minneapolis	210,332	207,565	198,498	203,016	199,392	189,813	7,316	8,173	8,685	3.5	3.9	4.4
Ramsey	279,638	275,664	264,009	270,387	265,560	252,802	9,251	10,104	11,207	3.3	3.7	4.2
City of St. Paul	146,563	144,705	138,453	140,787	138,274	131,631	5,776	6,431	6,822	3.9	4.4	4.9
Scott	37,102	36,604	35,217	35,449	34,816	33,143	1,653	1,788	2,074	4.5	4.9	5.9
Washington	92,694	91,285	87,506	89,125	87,534	83,329	3,569	3,751	4,177	3.9	4.1	4.8

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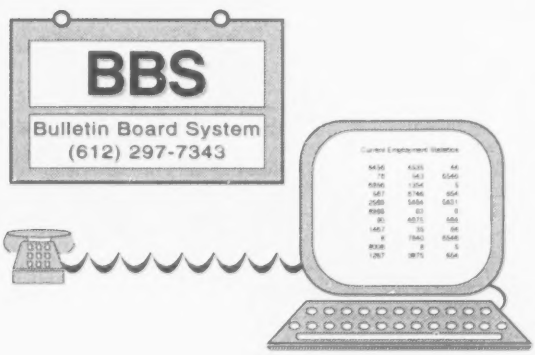

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